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WASHINGTON HIGH'S ANNUAL YULETIDE PAGEANT DEC. 23

The cast for Washington Union High School's annual Christmas pageant, which will be presented for the students today (Friday), and for the public on Sunday, was announced this week by the director Joseph Roberts.

The pageant is entitled "The Shepherd's Star," and is the story of the nativity, as written by Janet Katherine Smith, featuring seven scenes.

This annual public Yuletide program will open at 3:30 p.m. with an organ recital by Dwight Thornburg, music instructor at the school. The pageant will be presented at 4 p.m., and based on previous years, will play to a capacity audience.

The speaking roles are taken by: Shirley Mello, Mary; Donald Harris, the Archangel Gabriel; Vernon Perry, Joseph; Donald Phillips, Jerry Pimentel, Joseph Silva, Frank Richmond, Marty Sammon, Edgar Dawson, George George and Phillip Lammi, shepherds, and Paul Thompson, Gene Mayer and Phillip Pineda, kings of the orient.

ELABORATE SETTING

Assisting in the production are: James Faletti, student director; C. E. Harrison, stage manager; Louie Smith and Clarence Souza, stage crew; Arthur Goularte and Ed Meneze, lighting; Marlene Andrade, June Bedoya, Maureen Buford, Elaine Dias, Janice Hardon, Fumiyo Hisaoka, Elizabeth Lancaster, Donna Machado, Helen Mackey, Kay Moumoto, Beverly Pearson, Marlene Peeks, Shirley Tutor and Ramona Ysit, make-up crew.

The elaborate costumes for the scenes are being made by Janet Robertson, Marlene Roche, Eva Bassignani, Anna Grimmer and Leota Bayliss.

Music for the pageant will be presented by the glee club, Sophomore sextettes, Junior trio and Senior sextette, all under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Thornburg.

Members of the Sophomore sextettes are Betty Andreozzi, Marjorie Best, Laverne Chitwood, Connie Emmett, Jean Kitong, Bette Lewis, Carolyn Nobles, Jackie Real, Leah Robertson, Nancy Rodriguez, Anita Rogers and Elaine Thornburg.

The Senior sextette is composed of Shirley Iselin, Renee Jones, Jo Ann Lewis, Barbara Manning, Emily Jane Scott and Edna Zimmerman.

The Junior trio consists of Marlene Dias, Eleanor Olson and Mari-

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LOCAL BOY NAMED ON POW LIST

Learning that the name of her foster son, Pfc. Joseph M. Melisio, 17, was among the reds' prisoners of war, brought tears of joy to the eyes of Mrs. Flora Roldan of 401 D Street, Decoto. "I can't believe it. I'm so happy if it's true," she said, in obvious doubt about the authenticity of the report.

The last report that Mrs. Roldan received was a letter last month from the officials saying that he was still missing.

In October a year ago she received a letter from Melisio, in Korea with the First Cavalry Division, saying: "I'm coming home."

An official message a few weeks later reported that he was missing in action.

Melisio, adopted by Mrs. Roldan when he was three months old, enlisted two years ago, when he was 15.

CHAMBER TO CALL MEETING ON PLAN FOR REGIONAL PARK

The Township Chamber of Commerce voted at its meeting Wednesday evening to schedule a meeting for early February with Regional Park officials for a discussion of the possibility of establishing a park at Niles Canyon.

Organizations throughout the township have each been asked to name a delegate to attend the meeting to learn what steps must be taken to establish a regional park here.

Gene Manning executive secretary of the Township Chamber, said Wednesday that he had received 24 replies from the 53 cards mailed out to organizations. All of the cards returned indicated that the organizations favored establishment of a regional park here.

The Chamber also voted to petition the Union Sanitary District, asking its directors to establish a refuse dump for the convenience of the residents of the district.

A lengthy discussion was held on the proposal of the California Roadside Council for closer restrictions on highway billboard advertising but it was voted to table any action until the January meeting.

This week's "Guess Who": Frank J. Garcia of Niles.

TOWNSHIP OVER TOP AT LAST BLOOD DONOR DAY

Washington Township went over the top!

Once again the township can be pointed to as the area that always comes through.

One hundred and seventy-six donors from the township offered their blood last Monday when the mobile unit came to Niles, which exceeds by far any previous donations made at any other day this year. There were 154 accepted. Some were rejected because of colds and other ailments.

Local boys in Korea will read this and experience a feeling of pride in the "folks back home" who remembered them with a Christmas gift that is as precious as life itself.

The Kraftile Company, with "Chuck" Kraft heading the blood procurement there, reports that the quota they set at 76 at the beginning of the year—a pint from everybody for 1951 — was met. There were three four-time donors from the company: James B. Crawford, W. M. Schulte and William Allen. Kraft is also chairman for blood procurement for the Rotary Club.

Romeo Brunelli of Central Chevrolet in Centerville reported that ten out of fifteen of his employees donated blood last Monday, when the plant shut down in the afternoon hours, enabling them to do so.

The names of last Monday's donors will be listed in next week's Township Register, and after every blood bank day thereafter. The next blood procurement day has been set for January 21.

PEERLESS TO ADD NEW LOCAL SERVICE

A new local bus service is to be inaugurated at the beginning of the new year by Peerless Stages, according to an announcement made this week by Harry Gaeta, president of the company.

Mr. Gaeta said that the new service will operate on a loop from Hayward down through Niles and Centerville and return to Hayward via Alvarado and Mt. Eden.

"We are inaugurating this new service to better serve the local need and will expand it as the traffic increases," Gaeta said.

He stated that it is the first time in the 36 years that the company has served this area that it has been in a position to offer local loop service.

DEPUTY CORONER CHANGE JANUARY 1

A new plan of rotation of deputy county coroners goes into effect January 1.

Taking over the duties of deputy coroner for Washington Township will be Dallas C. Paul of Centerville. Paul formerly served as a deputy coroner here from 1936 to 1939.

Thomas Berge of Irvington and Ben Murphy of Niles have served as deputy coroners here for the past six years.

The new plan, as announced by Coroner Mark Emerson, will rotate the deputyship here on a yearly basis.

'GUESS WHO' MAN BORN AT NURSERY

How many of you guessed that last week's "mystery man" was Lloyd Bailey, grower and shipper?

The clues to this week's man-of-the-week may be a dead give-away. However, perhaps there are those in the township who didn't know about this man's interesting background.

If you can't guess, read through the pages of this paper. You will find the answer.

He is one of the best folk-dancers in Washington Township. In his youth, he was probably considered THE VERY BEST.

He not only dances, but he has played the fiddle (as he calls it) for many a dance in the township.

He is closely allied with early California history, as his father was employed by General Vallejo. He himself was born in the Old Adobe that stands on the California Nursery grounds. The property where he now lives was bequeathed to his family by General Vallejo and was part of the old Vallejo Spanish land grant.

As there was no school in Niles when he was a boy, he walked to school in Decoto every day.

His first job was foreman with the California Nursery. He worked for John Rock, the founder of the Nursery.

Later on he went in for farming on a large scale, raising wheat and vegetables, on the Whipple Ranch.

After he gave up farming he became County Roadmaster for Alameda County, a position which he held for about five years.

Today is his birthday—his 84th—and all of his friends, and The Register staff, join in wishing him a happy one.

GUESS WHO!

PETER QUARTAROLI SUCCUMBS; RITES HELD WEDNESDAY

Despite the contributions of blood by his many friends here during the past year to aid him in his fight against a rare blood disease, death came last Sunday to Peter Edward Quartaroli, 46, lifelong resident of Niles and prominent businessman.

Mr. Quartaroli, who was associated with his brother, Daniel Quartaroli, in the operation of the Florence Restaurant here for many years, was stricken in August of 1950. His health continued to fail until his untimely death.

During the past year his life was spared by the contribution of blood by his many friends here, making possible the necessary transfusions every two weeks.

He was the husband of Mrs. Sophia M. Quartaroli; father of Miss Dolores D. Quartaroli; son of Mrs. Rosena Quartaroli; brother of Daniel Quartaroli and Mrs. Marian Baiocchi, both of Niles, and Mrs. Angie Regli and Mrs. Ada Smith, both of Richmond.

He was a member of Alameda Lodge No. 1015, B.P.O.E.

Funeral services were held Wednesday from the parlors of the Berge Mortuary Company at Niles, followed by a requiem mass at Corpus Christi Church.

Entombment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Hayward.

LEASK HEADS CIVIL DEFENSE AT NILES

The appointment of Bain Leask, Niles grocer, as the new civil defense director for the area within the Niles Elementary School District was announced this week by Sheriff H. P. Gleason, civil defense head for Alameda County.

Leask succeeds L. R. Batman who resigned last month after serving as director since the program was inaugurated last year.

The new director is experienced in civil defense work, having served as secretary of the air raid wardens of Niles during World War II. He is also enrolled in the sheriff's reserve training program and is scheduled to complete that course in February.

Leask said yesterday that his first task as director will be to map out the area and call for volunteers to serve as block wardens.

JUST FOR YOU

Within the pages of this issue of The Register you will find special greetings just for YOU. Your township merchants, appreciative of your patronage during the year, have chosen this way of saying "Thank you" to you, and wishing you a Merry Christmas.

They have taken the time and money to perform this courtesy. We hope you will read each and every message, and in return for this good-will gesture, continue to patronize them.

NEWARK MAY ADD THIRD SALARIED FIREMAN TO FORCE

The proposal for the addition of a third salaried fireman for the Newark Fire Department won the endorsement of the Newark Chamber of Commerce at the Tuesday evening meeting of that organization.

The department now has two paid firemen rotating on 24-hour duty, Chief Joseph Pashote and Assistant Louis Caldeira.

It was pointed out at the meeting that the addition of a third salaried man to the department would bring about a drastic reduction in fire insurance rates.

Secretary Howard Buschke was instructed to forward the Chamber's endorsement to the Fire Commission.

The secretary stated that a traffic engineer from the County Surveyor's office had called on him recently and reported that the county could not comply with the Chamber's request for stop signs on Dairy Avenue at the intersection with Cherry Road. He stated that the department could not justify the signs for the volume of traffic.

Further action toward the study of the possibility of the establishment of a home-owned bank was delayed by a request from the State Banking Commission for additional data.

The members of the Board of Directors were named to serve as a nominating committee to present a slate of candidates for nomination and election at the January meeting.

SCHOOL CLOSE TODAY

Schools of the township will close this afternoon for the annual Christmas and New Year vacation. Classes will reconvene on Monday, January 7.

FORMER RESIDENT NABBED AS LOCAL CLOTHING BURGLAR

Washington Township's clothing burglar, who looted two business houses here last week, is behind bars.

Thomas Cloyd Nichols, 26, of San Francisco, a former resident of Newark, is in custody in San Francisco and Tuesday admitted to Detective Lowell Creighton of the Washington Township sheriff's substation that it was he who burglarized the Sears & Houston Store in Newark and the Township Cleaners in Irvington.

The "break" in the case came for Detective Creighton when he learned that Nichols, who has a prior record, was in Newark the night of the burglary.

HUNCH PAYS OFF

Following through on his hunch, Creighton checked the San Francisco address of Nichols and learned that he and four male companions had been arrested in Sacramento last week on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. Liquor found in their car was traced to a San Francisco burglary and the men were returned to the bay city to stand trial.

Creighton questioned Nichols in his cell Tuesday and after discovering that the clothes he was wearing were included in the loot taken from the Township Cleaners he searched the clothes of Nichols' companions for identifying laundry marks. They were all part of the loot from the local business house.

Confronted with this evidence Nichols confessed to both burglaries.

He stated that he broke the window of the Sears & Houston Store while a freight train was passing so that the noise could not be heard. He said that he forgot some of the loot which he had dumped in boxes. He denied that he had any help on either "job."

SOME LOOT DISCARDED

He told Detective Creighton that he stopped his car along the Bay shore Highway enroute to San Francisco and sorted the clothing, throwing away the children's and women's apparel.

He said he gave some of the men's clothing to friends and sold the remainder.

Twelve of the garments taken from the cleaning establishments were recovered but none of the loot from the Sears & Houston Store could be found.

A hold order has been issued by local authorities so that Nichols will be brought to trial here on two counts of burglary following his trial in San Francisco.

May each Christmas in your life stand above last year's in happiness and good cheer. A blessed Yule to all of our friends.

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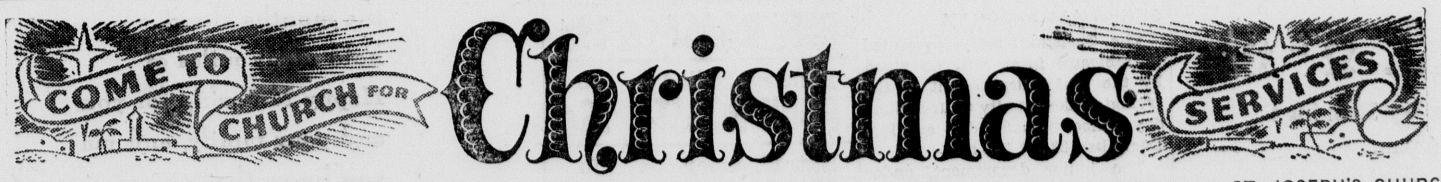

ST. JAMES CHURCH
Centerville
Rev. Arthur Freeman, Pastor

Sunday services include Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; church school at 9:45 a.m., and morning prayer and sermon at 11.

Services Christmas Eve at 7. The choir will sing carols at 11 p.m., followed at 11:30 by the choral Holy Communion.

Holy Communion Christmas Day at 10:30 a.m.

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Niles
Rev. Fred C. Hahn, Pastor

Annual Sunday School Christmas program will be given this evening (Friday) at 7:30.

Special Christmas service Sunday, Dec. 23. Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Hahn, will sing special Christmas selections. Sermon topic will be "Life from the Cradle."

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Centerville
Rev. Howard Steward, Pastor

Annual Christmas program of the Sunday School at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Sunday morning worship will include the solo, "Jesu Bambino" by Mrs. Lorraine Alameda, and the anthem by the choir will be "The First Christmas." The sermon topic chosen by Rev. Steward is "The Christmas Message for Our Day."

Service of Christmas carols and candlelighting at 10 p.m. Christmas Eve.

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH
Newark
Rev. James J. Concannon Pastor

Confessions: Monday, Dec. 24, 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

High Mass at midnight Christmas Eve.

Low masses Christmas Day at 8 and 10 a.m.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Niles
Rev. Paul Focht, Pastor
SUNDAY, DEC. 23

Christmas Sunday worship service, 11 a.m. The choir will sing "Bell Carol" by Kettring. Sermon by Rev. Paul Focht, "The Miracle of Christmas."

Church School Christmas program, 7 p.m., Ford-Pilgrim Hall. Nativity pageant by members of the Church School, directed by Mrs. Wm. Hempel. There will be a collection of used clothing for Korean relief.

Monday, December 24: Christmas Eve service of carols and candlelight, 11:30 p.m. Choir numbers include "Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep" (Besancon Carol), "Lullajze Jesuniu" (Polish carol), "Good Christian Men Rejoice" (traditional), and "Let Your Light Shine" (Focht). Sermon by the minister, "The Light of the World."

HOLY GHOST CHURCH
Centerville
Rev. John E. Curran, Pastor

Confessions: Monday, 3 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., in English, Portuguese, Italian and Spanish.

Solemn mass at midnight Christmas Eve.

Masses Christmas Day: 6:30, 7:30, 9 (high), and 10:30 a.m., followed by benediction of the most blessed sacrament.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Newark
Rev. Riley Kaufman, Pastor

Friday evening missionary service conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Everett Devine.

Sunday at 9:45 a.m.. Christmas rally.

11 a.m. service Sunday with the sermon by the pastor entitled "Christmas Bells."

Annual Christmas program at 7 p.m. Sunday.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
Mission San Jose
Rev. John A. Leal, Pastor

Confessions: Saturday, Dec. 22, 3 to 5 and 7 to 8 p.m.

High Mass at midnight Christmas Eve.

Low masses Christmas Day at 8 and 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE LATTER DAY SAINTS
I.O.O.F. Hall, Irvington
Clyde Lindsay, Superintendent

Special Christmas service Sunday at 10 a.m.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH
Alvarado
Rev. James J. Concannon, Pastor

Confessions: Monday, Dec. 24, 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

High Mass at midnight Christmas Eve.

Low masses Christmas Day at 8 and 10 a.m.

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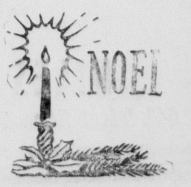

To all on this glorious day, whether you are near or far, we wish the most sincere greetings for a most blessed Christmas.

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INSPIRING LETTER FROM LOCAL BOY FIGHTING IN KOREA

It isn't often that the home-town folks have an opportunity to know the true feelings and thoughts of the young men taken from their midst and placed in the front lines of the fight in Korea.

Such an opportunity was afforded Romeo Brunelli of Centerville this week.

Brunelli, who has a son, Richard, serving in the army in Korea, received an inspiring letter from Corporal Albert Durazo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnulfo Durazo of Warm Springs.

Young Corporal Durazo often had helped his father and Mr. Brunelli rope and brand calves and between them had sprung up a friendship on that common ground of horsemanship.

In mid-November Mr. and Mrs. Brunelli mailed a box of Christmas candy to the young soldier with the hopes that it would brighten his Christmas in the far-off land.

This week they received a letter which within its few pages expressed thanks, appreciation, homesickness, reverence, anxiety and a great amount of courage.

The anxiety was not for his own welfare but the concern for his parents.

Corporal Durazo was in a scouting party which was caught by shellfire of the Red forces last month. Eight of the men in his patrol were hit. Corporal Durazo suffered a concussion and shrapnel wounds on the hand but remained in the front lines. Knowing that his parents would receive official word of his injury, he hurriedly penned a letter explaining that it was not serious.

The letter arrived two days after the telegram.

"The weather is getting colder by the day but the new winter gear we now have is ten times better than we had last year," the Corporal stated.

Reminiscing of happier days in Washington Township, the youth recalled how he and his father used to work with Romeo in roping steers.

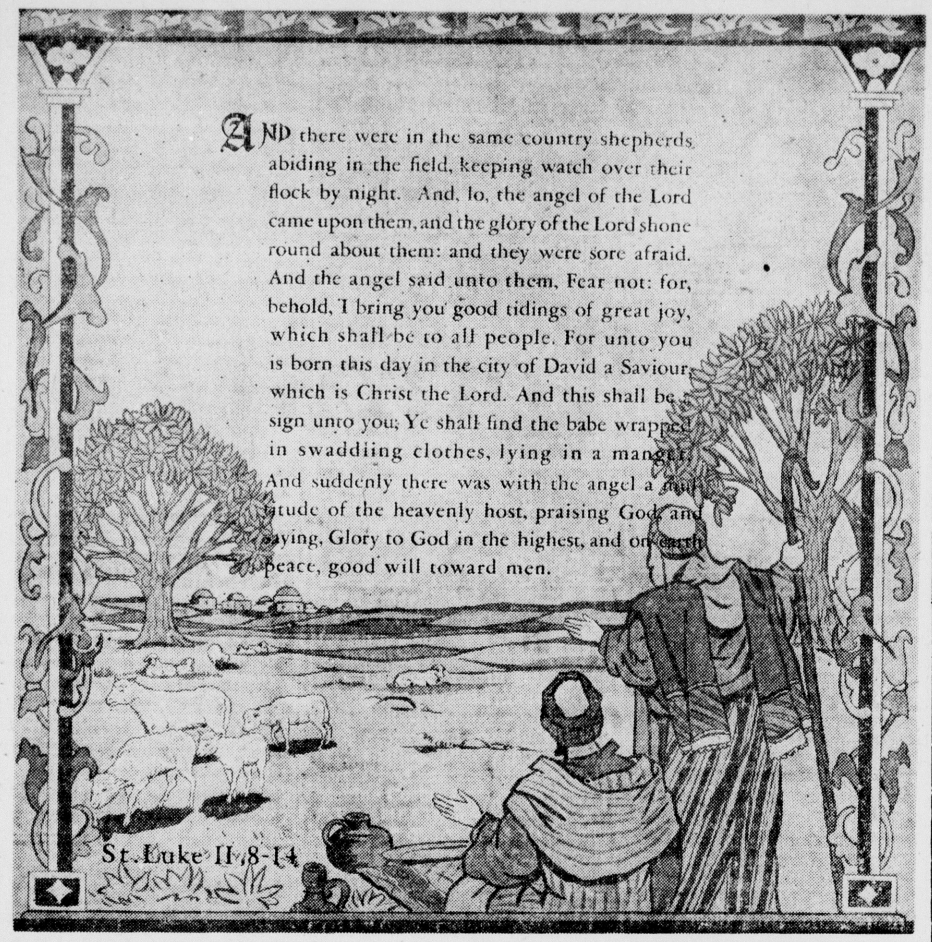
Not once in his letter was there a word of complaint, only the hope that he would be relieved shortly for a rest.

His closing sentences: "My regards to everyone. Hope to see you all soon—God willing. God bless all of you."

QUAIL HUNTING GOOD

Quail hunting has been good recently in the Nevada County area.

Use Register Want Ads!


AND there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
St. Luke II, 8-14

NILES BOY HURT IN FALL FROM CAR

Robert Buehler, five-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Lyle Buehler of Niles, is in Alameda Hospital this week as the result of a head injury incurred when he fell from a moving car.

On his way to school in a neighbor's car, he leaned against the car door and was thrown to the pavement. Fortunately the car was going slowly, and there were no other passing cars in the vicinity.

When the accident occurred, he was rushed to Dr. Albert Olson in Niles, who advised an immediate entrance into Alameda Hospital. It was found that the little boy had suffered a slight skull fracture. He will remain in the hospital a week.

This is the second unfortunate occurrence in the Buehler family within a few weeks. It was only a short time ago that Dr. Buehler himself was suddenly ordered to a hospital—or, rather, to a sanitarium—to recuperate from a lung ailment.

Two-thirds of Lake Tahoe is in California.

CHURCH SERVICES

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IRVINGTON COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Cecil Rhoades, Student Pastor

Regular Sunday morning worship and service.

Children's Christmas pageant at 7 p.m. Sunday, under the direction of Mrs. John Legro and Mrs. Kathryn Hupman.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH
Niles

Rev. Richard O'Connell, Pastor

Confessions: Monday, 3 to 5 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

High mass at midnight Christmas Eve.

Low masses at 8:30 and 10 a.m. Christmas Day.

NAZARENE CHURCH
Niles

Rev. J. D. Wiginton, Pastor

Sunday School service at 9:45 a.m.

Worship service and sermon at 11 a.m.

Evening worship at 7:30 p.m.

The annual Christmas program was held Wednesday evening.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Newark

Rev. John Peffers, Pastor

10 a.m. Sunday, special music by choir under direction of Mrs. Betty Peffers.

11 a.m., Sunday School pageant directed by Mrs. Carl Hersey and Mrs. Neal Sheffield.

Candlelight communion, baptism and reception for new members Sunday at 8 p.m.

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY CHURCH
Decoto

Rev. Ralph Duggan, Pastor

Confessions: Monday, 3 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

High mass Christmas eve at midnight.

Masses Christmas Day at 8:30 and 10 a.m.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Christmas story, presented in tableaux form, will be given by the senior department of the Irvington Community Church Sunday School this Sunday evening, December 23, at 7 p.m.

The junior department, under the supervision of Mrs. Katherine Hupman, will present a program of songs. The traditional Christmas carols, sung by the senior group, will conclude the program.

The public is invited to attend.

THREE SCOUTERS GET PROMOTIONS

Three Irvington Scouters were promoted to higher positions this week.

George Scamman, who has served for many years as neighborhood commissioner, was elevated to the position of member-at-large of the newly formed Twin Valley District Committee.

His former post has been filled by the appointment of Wallace Pond as neighborhood commissioner. Pond has served as Scoutmaster the past 18 months, and is credited with the increased activity of that group.

W. H. Maloney has been named the new Scoutmaster of the Irvington troop. He has served as assistant scoutmaster for more than a year.

...Around the Township...

Irvington Pair Married in Reno

Billie Leal, daughter of Mr. J. F. Leal of Irvington, became the bride of William Morris, also of Irvington, at a ceremony performed last Sunday in Reno.

Accompanying them on the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lanotti of Centerville.

Mrs. Morris was formerly employed by the L. S. Williams Company. Her husband is employed at Wedgewood.

The couple is making their home in Irvington.

Bridal Shower for Anna Mae Peixotto

A bridal shower was given last Sunday afternoon by Miss Daphne Taylor at her home on Central Avenue in honor of Miss Anna Mae Peixotto of Stevens Street. Her fiance is Mr. Howard Briar of Warm Springs. The wedding is set for January 6.

Guests at the shower were Mrs. Peggy Bribes, Miss Doris Bettencourt, Miss Janice Harlan and Miss Helen Vieira. A cake with the inscription "Happiness to Anna Mae" was served with other refreshments.

The bride-to-be received many lovely gifts. Both young people are graduates of Washington High.

—Irene Mendonca

Pre-Holiday Party

Miss Harriet Dias was hostess at an open-house pre-holiday party at her home last Monday night. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. MacIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Don Querner, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Querner Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bruner, Mr. and Mrs. John Brahmst, Mrs. Ray Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Otterson, Vernon Ellsworth, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Solon.

Party for Husbands

The annual Christmas dinner party for their husbands was given last Saturday night by members of a local bridge club. The affair was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Overacker in Mission San Jose. Those present were the Tom Robbins, the Robert Fishers, the John Whipples, the Henry Versaises, the Clifford Johnsons, the Will Lamoreuxs and the Earl Mackintoshes. Unable to attend were Mr. and Mrs. John Cortner and Mr. and Mrs. L R. Batman.

Guests from the City

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holeman of San Francisco will arrive this week-end to be guests of the Ralph Robisons of Cherry Lane. Mrs. Holeman is Mrs. Robison's niece. They expect to remain until after Christmas.

From Niles to Niles

From Niles, California, to Niles, Michigan, is the cross-country trek that Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Wilkinson are making. They left Tuesday night with a friend in his car and will drive with him as far as St. Louis, then will go on to Michigan by train. They are a little concerned over the bad weather the middle west is reporting but are nevertheless looking forward to visiting with Mr. Wilkinson's relatives in Michigan. On the return trip, they will drive back a new car for his employers, the Di Guilio brothers. They expect to return around the eighteenth of January.

Old Friends Meet

A note from Stebler Loze asking that The Register be sent to Morro Bay. He is stationed there. Formerly a teacher at Washington High, Mr. Loze and his wife are well-known in the township. They say that they want to keep abreast of township news by subscribing to The Register.

At Camp Cooke, Mr. Loze came across Ruben Rodrigues, who was in the hospital at the time. Ruben, a Decoto boy, was wounded at Yonchon. The two enjoyed meeting each other and talking about mutual friends in the township. Mr. Loze was in the hospital to donate blood to the huge camp quota. Ruben's picture, incidentally, was in the San Luis Obispo County Telegram and Tribune last week.

San Jose State Club Has Dinner party in Niles

Saturday evening the members of the San Jose State Chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, national Spanish honor society, held its "last fling before finals" party at the home of Dolores Rose in Niles.

A candle-lit turkey dinner "with all the trimmings" was served in the Christmas-decorated rumpus room, after which the members and their guests unwrapped their "gag" gifts. The rest of the evening the group danced and sang Spanish and English Christmas carols.

Among those attending were Professor Lee Newby, head of the Modern Language Department, and Mrs. Newby; Dr. William Moellering, advisor to the club who played Santa Claus, and Mrs. Moellering; Mrs. J. Elder, wife of Dean Elder of San Jose State, and Mrs. Margaret Pinkston, language professor.

Former Niles Wave Tells of Betrothal

Freeda Hester, SN, formerly a Niles girl, and now in the WAVES, was on a ten-day leave this week from her base near Seattle and was in Niles visiting friends. She stayed with the Mottershaw family in Canyon Heights.

Freeda comes back with a very special announcement. She is engaged to Robert Culver, BMC, whom she met in Seattle. They plan to be married in Seattle on February 2.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hester, whose hand-made chenille spreads used to hang gaily along the Niles-Hayward Highway, Freeda is a graduate of Washington High, class of '47. She has been in the WAVES since March. She is signed up for five years, to be released, however, if the crisis in Korea is ended. Her fiance will be released in June.

Her parents are now living in Delhi.

Lt. John Ferrante In Niles for Christmas

Lt. John Ferrante and Mrs. Ferrante arrived home last week after a motor tour of the south and southwest that took them 3,800 miles. Mrs. Ferrante had gone back to Chicago to meet him, after he had finished his training at the Glenview Naval Air Station out of Chicago.

They then went to New Orleans and down into Mexico, and felt very fortunate that they avoided all of the bad weather we've been reading about.

After the holiday season, the lieutenant and his wife and children will go to San Diego. He has been assigned to the U.S.S. Boxer, an aircraft carrier based in San Diego. His wife has been staying in Niles with her in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ferrante.

TV NEWS

By LEO BOHANNON

For the first time this year, many thousands of shut-ins . . . invalids and sick folks . . . are going to be able to participate in Christmas festivities the world over. Yes . . . television is going to do the trick. Folks unable to leave their homes will be able to visit department stores . . . to walk on gaily decorated streets where parades will be in full swing and Christmas shoppers will be hurrying about their last-minute business. They'll be able to go right along with the crowds.

They'll be able to attend church . . . to see the choir in costume singing favorite Christmas carols . . . to watch the services . . . to feel part of them. That's what television does . . . it brings the world into the home . . . and makes you a part of the world. There's no greater gift for a shut-in . . . a person unable to go about . . . than the gift of television.

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LUCAS AUTO BODY SHOP
Niles-Hayward Hiway

SIXTH ANNUAL PARTY . . . for the Niles Electric Company employees, was celebrated at dinner at the International Kitchen last Friday night. Standing, from left to right, Clifford Costa, Mrs. Costa, Walter Matthews, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Ralph Goold, Mr. Goold, William Allen, Mrs. Helen Parry, Mrs. John Cattaneo, Mrs. Lucille Brown, John Cattaneo, Clifford Dennis, Donna Machado, Paul Magnaga, Mrs. Magnaga; and at the table, Mrs. William Allen, Ruel Brown, John Brahmst, Mrs. Brahmst, and Jack Parry. Mr. and Mrs. Parry are not employees, but were guests for the evening. —Cattaneo Photo

Redeemer's Birthplace In Ancient Bethlehem Still Scene of Worship

The scene of the Redeemer's birth at Bethlehem is the site of a full day's worship and prayer each Christmas Eve. The faithful come from all parts of the world to join their voices in adoration and to see the solemn reenactment of the birth of Jesus of Nazareth.

Discontinued for six years during World War II, the pontifical mass and ceremony was renewed in 1945. As the stars on the hillside and the pale moon wrapped the town of Bethlehem in an aura of holiness, the voices of the humble echoed in prayer from the little Church of St. Catherine, built on the hallowed rock of the most sacred spot of the Christian world.

The mass was celebrated at 10 p.m., the voices of the choir-boys ringing out over the surrounding hills. At the stroke of 12 the great bells of the tower of the nativity rang out, loud and clear.

The vicar, holding an image of the Christ Child, joined a procession of priests, acolytes and choir-boys. By flickering candlelight the procession filed over the stone steps leading to the grotto of the nativity. The vicar placed the tiny representation of Christ on the sacred spot where, many years before, the Redeemer came.

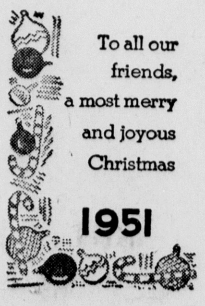
Balsam Recommended As Best Yule Tree

In choosing a Christmas tree, many look for trees that will not shed needles quickly indoors. Highly recommended are balsam and Douglas firs, which usually will hold their needles as long as two or three weeks in a warm house.

Balsam is fragrant beyond all other Christmas trees, has long

lower branches and thick spire-like top. Its needles do not stab the hand. Like the needles of all firs, they are usually flattened, not squarish.

For longer life, place the tree outdoors in a bucket of water for 24 hours before putting it up, or place in a waterproof container of wet sand and keep the sand moist.



PEERLESS GRILL
Ted Elsie
Niles

I HOPE, I HOPE . . . There is an expression commonly used during the days just before Christmas—and this is it, on the face of the lad with the football. If things work out the way they usually do, he'll get his wish.

DUCKS MOVE IN

Large numbers of ducks have been moving into the San Bernardino County area during the past week. Hunters working in the area have been bagging many limits.

Have you read the Want Ads?

TOMATO DISEASE CONTROL REVEALED

A new chemical protector against plant diseases which every year cause a farm crop damage running well into the millions, was disclosed this week by the Du Pont Company.

This important addition to vital farm chemicals will be available in limited quantities in 1952 as "manzate" fungicide. Chemically it is mangene ethylene bisdithiocarbamate, the sixth in a series of organic plant protection materials, based on deriviatives of dithiocarbamic acide, developed by Du Pont agricultural research.

Pending final review by government authorities, "manzate" is expected to be recommended specifically to control anthracnose, gray leaf spot and Septoria leaf spot on tomatoes, and early and late blights on both tomatoes and potatoes—all major fungus infections which annually take a heavy toll of these crops.

The new fungicide has undergone extensive field testing, for several years, both by Du Pont investigators and federal and state experiment stations. During the past season, more than 100 investigators in 32 states, Hawaii, Canada, and Mexico, have evaluated the compound for disease control with such crops as tomatoes, potatoes, apples, cereal grains, cucumbers, squash, melons, celery, tobacco, ornamentals, and a variety of other vegetables, fruit and nut crops.

As a chemical to control tomato diseases, "manzate" fungicide offers a single treatment which is effective against all major fungous enemies, both fruit and foliage, of the tomato plant. Previously two or more chemicals have been required in alternate applications to control the various diseases.

Re-used wool is made from rags, old clothing, and other worn or used wool products.

The institution of the "coffee house" was introduced to North America in 1668.

It is our wish that this Christmas brings with it a new light of peace on earth.

NEWARK PHARMACY
Newark

Soap Flake Snow

Trimming the Christmas tree with fluffy snow is easy if you use soap flakes. It won't melt either.

Here's how it's done: Use three or four cups of soap flakes to one cup of warm water. Beat with electric beater or hand beater until smooth and fluffy. Then spread immediately over branches of tree, scattering it on with hands.

For sparkle, spread on some artificial glistening snow.

Currier and Ives Cards

Commercial production of Christmas cards in the United States began about 1835 with the founding and developing of the partnership of Currier and Ives in New York.

For more than a century American painters have aided the industry by painting Christmas themes on order or by selling reproduction rights to the art which is now conservatively estimated as worth $10,000,000 annually.

The favorite Nativity theme is represented by hundreds of interpretations. Winter scenes are next in popularity, some of them dating back to the Puritans of New England, the German forests whence St. Nicholas emerged, and even to the Druids of pre-Christian England.

NAMES YULE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Florence Graber and Mrs. Angie Furtado have been named to head the committee for providing baskets for needy veterans' families, according to an announcement this week from the Auxiliary of the Washington Township Post, American Legion

BLOCK WARDENS RECRUITED HERE

Despite the Christmas holiday rush, Washington Township civil defense directors are spurring the local campaign to recruit men and women warden training volunteers for classes starting March 3 in the Decoto-Niles-Irvington area.

Volunteers for training will attend five two-hour weekly classes in local schools. Schedules are now being arranged by Sheriff's Lt. Stanley N. Petersen and his aide, Robert Artis, and will be announced in an early issue of this newspaper.

Recruits for warden training will receive a thorough endoctrination in civil defense program arranged for Southern Alameda County by Sheriff H. P. Gleason, as well as the warden service itself, methods of self-protection against modern warfare, and psychological defense against insidious propaganda methods.

Women are urged to take warden training because of their presence in the family home when men are away at work, Sheriff Gleason stated.

Acting as warden service instructors will be officers and deputies from the staff of Sheriff Gleason holding adult education teaching credentials. They include Capt. Richard Condon, in charge of the Washington Township Substation of the sheriff's office.

LIONS CLUB SCRAP DRIVE SUCCESSFUL

The first phase of the Centerville Lions Club's scrap drive has drawn to a successful close, it was announced this week by Val Tuchsen and James Logan, co-chairmen.

The members have cleaned up the lot on Stevens Street where the scrap metal was collected and have sold the metal to the Pacific States Steel Mill.

The two chairmen also announced that the second and final phase of the drive will get into full swing in the spring with the L & V Trucking Station on the Centerville-Irvington Highway as the collection point.

Arthur S. Hallidie invented San Francisco's cable cars.

CANDLES FOR ALL AT CHURCH SERVICE

Traditional in Niles for the last ten years is the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service which is being held in Niles Congregational Church on December 24 at 11:30 p.m. This service features the singing of carols, choir music, a sermonette by the pastor, and the congregation lighting of candles.

The service ends with each worshipper going from the church with his lighted candle, and one of the most colorful Christmas customs of Niles. Everyone in the community is invited to this service, but it is suggested that you come early—to assure a seat in the church and candle for yourself.

DON PLUMMER COMPLETES GENERAL MOTORS SCHOOL

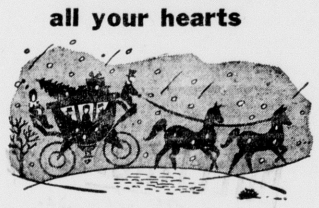
Don Plummer of Niles, salesman for Central Chevrolet Company at Centerville, is expected to arrive home tomorrow after completing a six weeks' training course at the Dealers' Sons School conducted by General Motors in Detroit, Michigan.

Plummer was named from among the Pacific Coast representatives at the school to deliver the address at the graduation ceremonies.

Enroute home he expects to stop for a visit in his home town of Bushnell, Illinois.

No commercial production of cobalt is recorded in California.

May the peace of the season be in all your hearts



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SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY — DECEMBER 21, 22 AND 24

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Del Monte, No. 2½ Tin	a Local Product	Skippy	Ocean Spray
15¢	10 lb bag 85¢	3 cans 25¢	2 cans 29¢

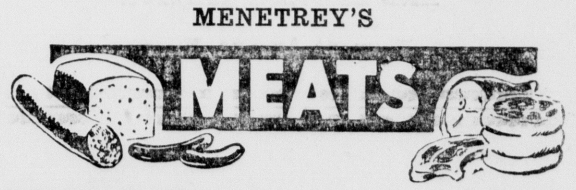
COOKIE MIX	Nestle's — Package	35¢
COCOANUT	Durkee's — Package	25¢
HUNT'S CATSUP	2 bottles	29¢
VERMONT MAID SYRUP	12-oz. bottle	25¢
CUT GREEN BEANS	Del Monte — 303 size	17¢
SLICED BEETS	Westlake, 303 cans 2 for	25¢
NIBLET CORN	12-Oz. Cans 2 for	33¢
GERBER'S BABY FOOD	3 cans	25¢
FANCY MARGARINE	1 lb	19¢
MARLO BEEF STEW	1 lb tin	35¢
FRUIT COCKTAIL	Dole's — No. 1 Tin	19¢
ORANGE JUICE	Sunkist — 46-Oz. Tin	25¢

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

PRODUCE DEPARTMENT

CRISP CELERY ..... lb 5c	LARGE Navel Oranges 5 lb 39c
AVOCADOS . . 2 for 25c	BANANAS . . . 2 lb 29c

MENETREY'S MEATS



CORNED PORK	Shoulder	lb 35¢
Swift's Premium SLICED BACON	(Cello Wrapped)	lb 69¢
STEAKS, SIRLOIN OR RIB	U.S. Grade A	lb 85¢
LUNCH MEATS	— Assorted —	lb 65¢
PURE LARD		lb 25¢
PORK CHOPS	— End Cut —	lb 53¢

ORDERS TAKEN ON TURKEYS, HAMS AND POULTRY UP TO SATURDAY NIGHT

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL CUSTOMERS

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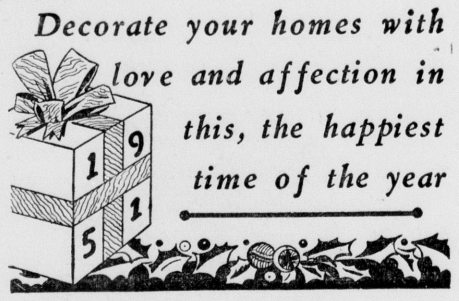

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Best wishes for a very merry holiday

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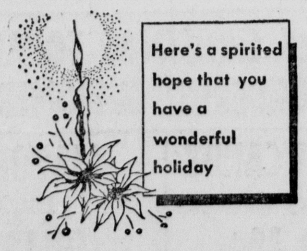

Here's a spirited hope that you have a wonderful holiday

MILDRED'S APPAREL
Mildred Amaral

Centerville

SPORTS

BOWLERS VICTORIOUS

The Ladies Bowling Team of the Washington Township Sportsmen's Club won four games in San Jose Monday evening from the Club Lanai keglers. The victories gave the girls a boost up the league ladders after last week's defeats.

PERRY LEON DEAN ENLISTS IN NAVY

Perry Leon Dean, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Dean of 555 Filbert Street, Newark, was enlisted in the U. S. Navy on December 12, through the Navy Recruiting Station, City Hall, San Leandro. He is presently undergoing recruit training at San Diego Naval Training Station for eleven weeks, and upon completion of his training will be granted 14 days leave to visit his parents and friends.

Perry attended the Washington Union High School prior to his enlistment.

GEESE AT MILLERTON LAKE

Large numbers of Canada geese have settled on Millerton Lake in Fresno County during the past week. Hunters working in this area have enjoyed some good shooting.

Use Register Want Ads!

BEARCATS GRAB EIGHTH VICTORY

By TONY ROGERS

The Bearcat Club of Centerville had no trouble trouncing the Heidelberg ball club of Oakland last Sunday at Greenman Field by the score of 19 to 2, for their eighth straight league victory.

The game was called in the seventh because of darkness.

Harold Slater, a San Jose rookie, pitched the game for the Cats and did an outstanding job. He gave up but five hits, walked four and fanned seven men. He also was one of the big guns with the bat, hitting a triple, a double and a single in five times up and drove across three runs.

John Garcia singled three times in five tries and drove across four runs. Rivers' two hits were for extra bases, a two bagger and a triple.

Centerville built up an early lead in the game, scoring four times on two hits, two walks and an error in the first inning. They added six more in the third on six hits and an error and the final nine scores were made in the seventh inning on seven hits.

Heidelberg's scoring was done in the second inning on two hits, a walk and an error.

Next Sunday's game will will be back at McConnell Field against United Railroad at 2 p.m.

The box score of Sunday's game:

BEARCATS

	AB	R	H
Faria, lf	5	1	2
Sweeney, cf	3	3	1
Roderick, 1b	5	2	2
H. Rose, 2b	5	1	0
Lemos, ss	5	3	2
Dutra, 3b	4	2	2
Garcia, rf	5	2	3
Rivers, c	4	2	2
Slater, p	5	3	3
Totals	41	19	17

HEIDELBERG

	AB	R	H
C. Delima, c, 2b	3	0	0
DeCosta, 3b	3	0	0
Bolesworth, 2b, p	4	0	1
Machada, ss	4	0	1
Payne, 1b	3	0	0
Browning, rf	3	0	0
Vierra, lf, c	3	1	1
McHugh, c, lf	2	1	2
Serrao, p	1	0	0
M. DeLima, cf	1	0	0
Totals	27	2	5

MOSQUITO MEN HOLD BANQUET

Officers and employees and their wives of the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement Society held their annual Christmas party last night at "Our House" in San Leandro.

Arranging the affair was Paul Garcia of Decoto, assisted by Lee Falkawski.

Our Christmas blessing to you —may wisdom light your path and lead you on the way to true happiness.

ROETHLIN'S CAFE
Irvington

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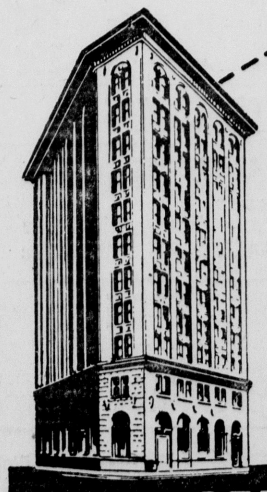
At the Oakland Bank of Commerce there is no per-item check charge or monthly service charge on accounts maintaining a $200 balance.



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WASHINGTON LOSES TO SANTA CRUZ

The Washington High School varsity and lightweight basketball squads will meet the Amador quintets of Pleasanton in a doubleheader on the home maples tonight (Friday) for their final game until after the holidays.

Both clubs were defeated by the Santa Cruz squads here last Friday evening. Coach Clyde Voorhees' varsity went down to a 31-47 defeat while Coach Don Wolfe's lightweights lost by a one-point margin, 26 to 27.

The "30" squad led 18 to 13 at the half-time but were able to chalk up but four points in the final quarter. Galvan led the scoring with nine points, followed by Orozco and Andrade with 5 each and Arington with 4.

Davis led the scoring for the varsity with 12 point and Nieves dropped eight points through the hoop.

The Washington "B" squad, in a practice game Tuesday afternoon, came from behind to defeat Hayward 36 to 34 in a thrilling contest.

Washington trailed 18 to 9 at the half-time but Orozco, Arington and Andrade got hot in the final quarter, ending up with 10 points each.

GIRL SCOUTS AT MASONIC HOME

The annual Christmas program at the Masonic Home was given last Friday, December 14, at 7 o'clock.

Girl Scout Troop No. 104, under the leadership of Mrs. James Hicks, opened the program with the Girl Scout song, "Hello."

The following girls, all of Mrs. Kennedy's troop No. 113 of Newark, participated in the program also.

Mary Lou Kennedy played two violin solos, "Silent Night" and "Christmas Vespers." Marlene Hernanza played "Jingle Bells" and "Quicksilver" on the accordion. A skit of "Hans and Gretel" was presented, and two pantomines. "Rudolph the Reindeer" and "Frostie the Snowman" was done by a troop member. Jo Kettman and Patty Dean tapdanced. Diana O'Mara also tapdanced. Jackie Walker, an acrobatic dancer, also played two accordion selections. Barbara Rogers sang "Away in a Manger."

The program concluded with Christmas carols sung by Troop No. 104 of Mrs. James Hicks group, Mrs. Frank Margarido's troop No. 3, and Mrs. Kennedy's troop No. 113 of Newark. The Girl Scout taps closed a very entertaining program.

Mrs. Margarido was mistress of ceremonies and chairman of the program.

—By Grace Caminada.

HUNTERS HAVE LUCK

Duck hunters enjoyed some first-rate sport during the past few days in the Butte County area. Most of them have been taking limits.

Season's Greetings

—and to all of our friends and patrons the hope that we may continue to serve you for many a Christmas to come.

EDENVALE NURSERY
Niles

ALVISO CHRISTMAS PROGRAM TONIGHT

The students of the Alviso Elementary School will present their annual Christmas operetta for the public at 8 o'clock tonight (Friday) in the school auditorium.

This year's production, entitled "Santa's Vacation," is under the direction of Mrs. Edith Wasley and Mrs. Viola Curley, and features a cast of more than 60 students.

Playing the speaking roles will be Robert Parodi, Santa Claus; Linda Silva, Mrs. Santa Claus; Dino Ciarlo, Sandman, and Norma Orsetti, Mother Goose. There will also be choruses of elves, fairies, dolls, moonbeams and Christmas trees.

James Nunes, principal, has announced that he has scheduled a visit by Santa Claus immediately following the program.

LOCAL MOTORISTS LOSE LICENSES

Three Washington Township motorists had their driver's licenses suspended and another his license revoked by the State Department of Motor Vehichles during the week ending December 7.

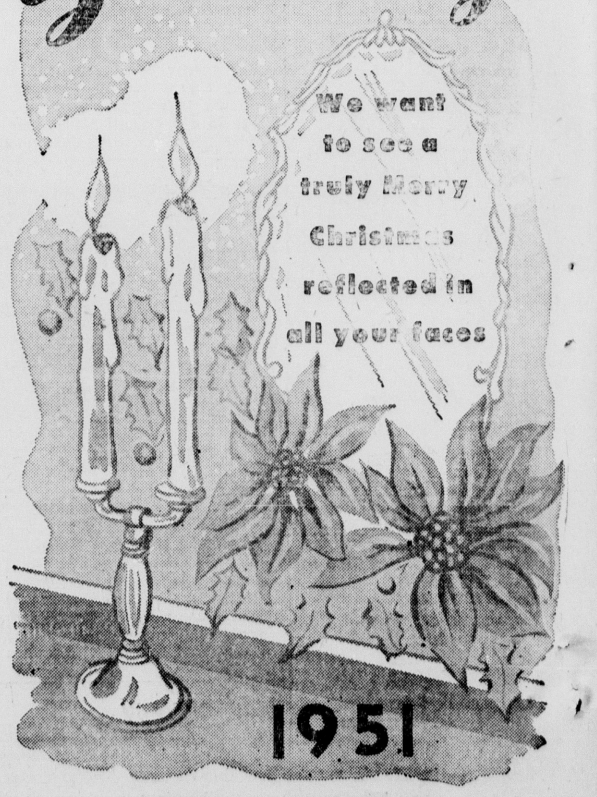
Drivers whose licenses were suspended were: Sammy Negrete Diosdato, Decoto; Angelo Jacobo, Decoto, and Gustaf Edwin Lovendale, Niles. The license of Len Kelly of Alvarado was revoked.

The Department also announced permanent reinstatement of the license of Fernando Manuel Avila of Decoto; Carol Irene Griffin, Decoto; Elsie Dolores Jasso, Newark; Benjamin Joseph Mozzetti, Irvington, and Emilio Lopez Valencia of Alvarado.

Colbalt is found as a native element only in meteorites.

PEERLESS STAGE DEPOT
Niles

Season's Greetings



CENTRAL CHEVROLET
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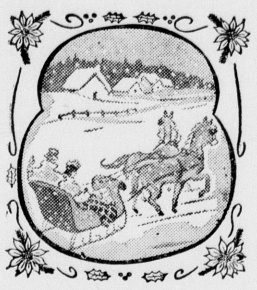
Tidings of Joy



Loads of old-fashioned Christmas happiness to all our good friends

1951

BERGE MORTUARIES

Thomas Berge — IRVINGTON

Ben Murphy — NILES

To the casual observer, it is just another typical night in Bethlehem, sleepy town of many generations. Excepting, of course, that the population is more than double, for all the descendants of David have come to register as ordered by Herod. For many, there is no room.

And yet, there is more about this night! And there are some whose faith and wisdom give them eyes to see. Near the hour of midnight, a darkened sky suddenly shimmers with a light of ethereal beauty, and angels appear to sing a great psalm:

"Glory in the highest,
And on earth, peace to men of good will."

A new star fires itself to brilliance near the edge of town, bathing in its light the stable where a Galilean carpenter named Joseph has taken refuge with his bride, a queenly young girl named Mary. For them, there had been no room.

The star rests above the humble shelter, sending down golden rays that illuminate the area in a strange, unearthly manner.

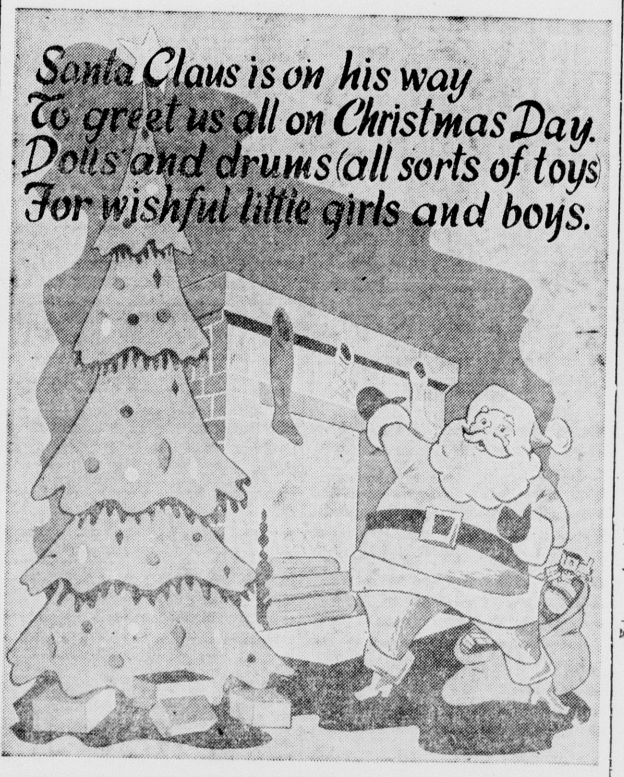
In the distance appear a group of Magi, wise men of Persia. They have followed the now resting star and are heavily laden with gifts of gold—presents for a new-born king. Along the roads hear the shouts of the citizens, led by angels, who come to adore.

There in the stable, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger, the Christ-child awaits.

Merry Christmas 1951

LET SANTA'S JOLLY SPIRIT BE YOUR GUIDE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

COZZI'S VARIETY STORE
Niles


Santa Claus is on his way
To greet us all on Christmas Day.
Dolls and drums (all sorts of toys)
For wishful little girls and boys.

Christmas Quotes

"Christmas is the time you decide to pay your doctor something on account. You know you will need him the day after."
—Walter Pulitzer.

"What do people mean by sending you a dozen Christmas cards during the festive season, and not deigning to send you three lines by way of a letter the rest of the year?" —J. Ashby-Sterry.

"At every Christmas party, just as things are beginning to get good, someone shuts his eyes, puts his head back and moans softly: 'Ah, well, this isn't like the good old days. We don't seem to have any good old-fashioned Christmases any more." —Robert Benchley.

Christmas: 'Good Time; A Kind, Forgiving Time'

Charles Dickens once referred to Christmas as "a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." This is an adequate description of the Christmas spirit. Why not make this an old fashioned Christmas?

Elaborately planned parties, those great time-takers, should not be a part of the Christmas scene. A homey, hospitable get-together will create an atmosphere in which everyone can relax.

Since Christmas is really "the children's hour", why not give them a greater part in preparing for the day? Children will get more delight from helping prepare and decorate the tree than in seeing only the finished product.

Small Amount of Plant Food Will Keep Needles on Tree

If you have the type of a tree-holder that permits the tree trunk to rest in water, you will find that a small amount of plant food dissolved in the water will aid in retaining the needles on the tree, and keep the needles green. If you use a pebble or rock-filled pail to support the tree, cover the pebbles or rock with a plant food solution.

Use one teaspoonful of plant food, powdered form, to each gallon of water in the container, or use one plant food tablet to each gallon.

United States Top Buyer and Supplier In Tree Industry

The United States is the world's leading source of supply as well as the top buyer in the Christmas tree industry—a better than $50,000,000 business.

The majority of our Christmas trees come from New England, New York and Pennsylvania, the north Middlewest, and the Northwest Pacific regions. In recent years, New Jersey has annually marketed around 100,000 trees for local use.

Most of the trees for Christmas sales are cut early in the fall and the trees are kept green with plenty of water until shipped to distribution centers.

Some mass producers, however, cut trees early in the new year, and treat them with preservatives and coloring solutions for storage in chilled warehouses.

'Snapdragon' Popular

A game called "snapdragon" was very popular at Christmas time in England more than 200 years ago. To a limited extent it is still played in some parts of England, as well as in America.

The original game called for a quantity of raisins to be deposited in a large bowl or dish. Brandy or some other spirit was then poured over the fruit and ignited. At a given signal, the participants attempt to snatch a raisin from the blazing bowl.

SECRETS . . . This little girl wants something for Christmas, but she's not telling anyone except Santa Claus, who looks like he understands the problem.

Smaller Towns Began Lighting Outdoor Trees

Although the White House and Rockefeller Center outdoor tree decorations have become famous in recent years, the practice of lighting outdoor trees began in smaller towns and cities long before these two displays became an annual affair.

Four widely separated communities lighted up as early as 1913. Two of them, McDonald and Germantown, were in Pennsylvania.

Salem, Ore., decorated a large Sitka spruce. Riverside, Calif., illuminated a large evergreen, an Aracuria.

The first National Christmas tree was in 1924 and was sponsored by the American Forestry association. For the past two years the lighting of the White House has been televised.

Have you read the Want Ads?

CENTERVILLE CHAMBER THANKS HIGHWAY PATROL

Centerville Chamber of Commerce at its meeting last Monday authorized its secretary to write a letter of appreciation to Captain Howard Amborn of the California Highway Patrol.

The chamber expressed appreciation of the patrol's response to a request for increased activity here in curtailing speeding on Highway 17. The members also expressed hopes that the closer surveillance will continue.

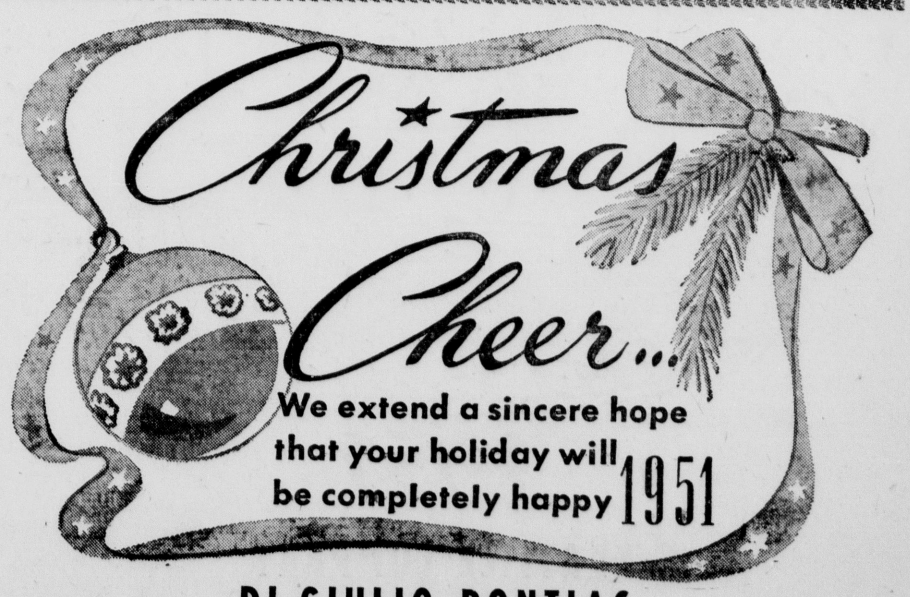
The chamber also requested the board of supervisors to order the installation of street lights on Dutra Way in the Orchard Park Tract.

Merry Christmas

CRANE GARAGE
Niles
DeSoto Plymouth

JOY TO ALL

JOE'S CORNER
Niles



DI GIULIO PONTIAC
AMERICAN GARAGE
737 Main Street — Niles

A sincere wish for a fine holiday to everyone in town

POND'S PHARMACY
Irvington

A Glorious Holiday

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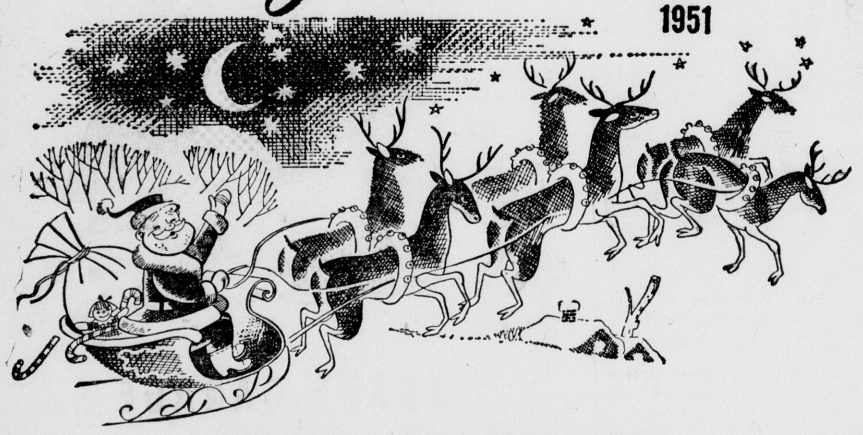
EDGREN MOTOR COMPANY
Centerville
CHRYSLER PLYMOUTH

Merry Christmas



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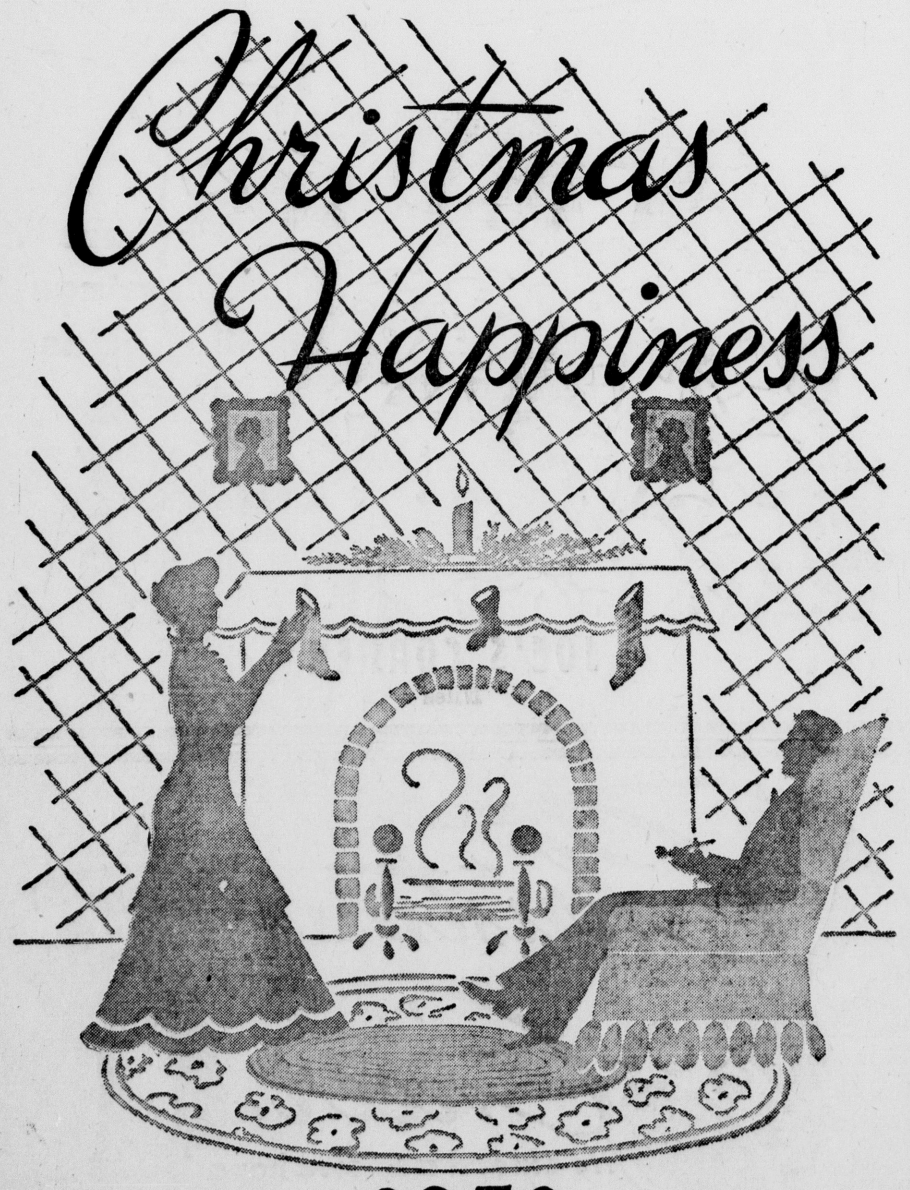
Centerville

Christmas Happiness



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KRAFTILE COMPANY
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Nations' Customs Widely Varied On Christmas Day

In nearly all of the civilized world December 25 is a red letter day. Peoples of all nationalities and religions celebrate the birth of Christ. The customs of the many nations are as varied as the peoples and their faiths are different.

In the Scandinavian countries, a Christmas tree made of a sheaf of wheat bound to a pole, is raised for

the winter birds. In Norway, rice pudding is always an important item on the menu for the Christmas dinner. One almond is baked in the pudding and the person who finds the almond in his portion is always the first to get married.

Chinese children make odd stockings by sewing three pieces of muslin together, and hang them up on Christmas Eve to hold the gifts brought by Lan Khoong-Khoong, which means "Nice Old Father" to them, Santa Claus to us.

The "old-fashioned" American Christmas, while reflecting the traditions of many countries, most closely resembles the traditional English Christmas, complete with plum pudding, mistletoe, carolers.

Santa Claus, Indiana, Received Famous Name Christmas Eve, 1882

Although many towns have names directly or indirectly associated with Christmas, there is but one town named Santa Claus, in Indiana.

Except for a lucky break, the town would have had another name and hence would not have enjoyed the annual fame that it gathers around the Yuletide season.

The original intention to name the town Santa Fe fell through when the officials at Washington suggested that the town be named something else, since there was already a Santa Fe in New Mexico.

On Christmas Eve, in 1882, the citizens held a mass meeting to select another name, but every one proposed was discarded for one reason or another. The meeting was about to break up when Santa Claus, making his yearly visits in the neighborhood, strode in to get warm. He was in costume and his arrival put one name in every mind.

And so the town was named Santa Claus.

Christmas Carols Herald Yuletide Immemorially

For centuries Christmas Carols have heralded the Yuletide season around the Christian world. Many of them, slightly altered by changing times and customs, have been handed down from one generation to another.

A great number probably were lost because they were popular in generations not adequately covered by a written history.

Christmas Carols are of two main types—religious and convivial. The religious offer praise to the newborn and celebrate the birth of Christ. The convivial exalt mirth and the traditional feasting.

The latter is almost an invention of our modern civilization, and few "popular" Yuletide songs manage to return year after year. "Jingle Bells" is one notable exception.

"Silent Night," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear", and "O Come All Ye Faithful" seem destined to last forever.

ADORATION OF THE SHEPHERDS . . . This striking sculptural work was done by Andrea del Verrocchio (1435-1488) of Florence, Italy, and is in the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D. C.

CHRISTMAS BACKDROP

Christmas Seal Idea Conceived In Denmark

A DANISH postal clerk thought of the idea of attaching stamps to Christmas packages and letters in 1903, and a few years later the scheme was tried in America.

This year millions of Americans will receive a letter from their local chapter of the National Tuberculosis association containing Christmas seals, the seasonal reminder of the never-ending fight to stamp out the disease.

Einar Holboell, at work in a Danish postoffice conceived the idea of attaching decorative stamps to Christmas packages, the sale of which could be conducted by some worthwhile organization.

He mentioned it to his fellow workers and they decided it would be a great help in defraying the cost of fighting tuberculosis. The idea reached King Christian, who approved, and the image of Queen Louise was placed on the first seals in 1904.

Jacob Riis, Danish-born American, heard about the idea and sold it to the American public in 1907 through a magazine article written for Outlook magazine. A Red Cross worker, Miss Emily Bissell, started the first American sales that year.

The practice of holding "open house" has been a Christmas tradition through the years.

The Saxon lords threw open the doors of their great halls to peasant and noble alike during the festive season and all enjoyed great feasting, songs and the exchange of gifts. A tremendous Yule log was dragged upon an open fire pit and festivities lasted until the embers alone remained.

The same custom was followed in the pre-Civil War South. The slaves often soaked a log in the cypress swamps long before Christmas so that it would burn slowly, and extend their Christmas freedom.

"Open House" during the Yuletide season is a true mark of democracy and a realization that he who was born on Christmas day came to save all men.

Cowboy's Party Is Real American Fete

One of the most typical of our American holiday celebrations is the Cowboy's Christmas Ball, which has been held almost every year since 1884 in the small town of Anson, Texas.

The celebration started as a wedding party in the old Star Hotel when ranchers poured in from the widely scattered ranges to honor one Cross P. Charley and his bride. It was such a success that it was repeated year after year.

Christmas Eve brought the spirit of the old West to Anson. Cowboys donned their colorful dress, their gay shirts and decorated boots. Cowgirls outfitted themselves in gingham dresses "like mother wore". A cowboy band swung out and the dancers perform the heel and toe polka, the Varsouvienne, and other old folk dances.

Origin of Symbolic Tree Shrouded in Old Legends

The origin of the Christmas tree symbol is shrouded in legends that reach back to the period of Druid tree worship long before the advent of Christianity. Credit for tree decoration and gift-giving, however, is generally given to Germany, where the customs were started in the 16th or 17th centuries. Over a period of years the practice spread into northern Europe and from there to America.

Outdoor tree decorating is essentially an American trademark and a special feature of community spirit. The best known outside displays in America are on the White House lawn and at the Rockefeller Plaza in New York City.

NILES ELECTRIC CO.
John Brahmst
Niles

MAY YOU ALL ENJOY THE BLESSINGS OF THIS SEASON OF DEEP JOY

1951

SLETTEN'S DEPT. STORE
Niles

May nothing but happiness dog your footsteps this Christmas

SWANSON TILE COMPANY
Niles

MISSION SAN JOSE NEWS

By ALBIE SANTOS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

In keeping with the Yuletide season, I wish a very merry Christmas to my staff and my subscribers.

ANNUAL DINNER

The Mission Firemen held their annual Christmas dinner at the I.D.E.S. Hall on Dec. 18. The Ladies Auxiliary did the cooking. Turkey and all the trimmings were served. Amidst the playing of games, Santa bursted in the door with presents for all the children. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING

Hey kids! Joe and Helen Semas have received a message from Santa Claus saying that he will make an appearance at their fountain lunch. He will be there to greet all you kids around Joe and Helen's beautifully decorated tree, Sunday evening about 7:30. So be sure to come. I'm sure Santa would be glad to see you.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Mission 4-H Club held its annual Christmas party last Saturday. Members and their families attended. Games and dancing highlighted the evening, followed by the exchange of gifts. The auditorium was decorated very nicely with green and red crepe paper streamers, blue spruce branches and Christmas ornaments. The refreshments consisted of jello, cup cakes, marshmallow Christmas candy, hot chocolate and coffee. They were made by the 4-H leaders.

CHRISTMAS PLAY

The Mission Grammar School will put on a Christmas play, free to the public. It will be held tonight (Friday) at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium. Mrs. Finger, Mrs. Millard and Mr. Oxborrow have worked hard with the children to put on good entertainment for you, so come and bring your friends.

CHRISTMAS MASS

There will be a midnight mass at St. Joseph's Church, as well as masses at 8 and 9:30 on Christmas Day.

GIVE CHRISTMAS PLAY

St. Mary's of the Palms gave a beautiful and talented Christmas play Sunday.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Regina Schneider celebrated her twenty-first birthday December 15 with a beautiful dinner given in her honor at her home. Later in the evening Regina was a guest at the home of Jack and Teddy Pereira. They enjoyed a birthday cake, ice cream and coffee and she fared well in gifts. Then the next day her mother surprised her by joining San Francisco friends at the "Top of the Mark" and dinner at the Starlite dining room.

ANOTHER BIRTHDAY

Jack Pereira also had a birthday and didn't lost out as far as gifts were concerned. Jack also had the traditional cake and a party.

ACCIDENT VICTIM

Leo Dennie added his share toward Mission accident victims. Leo cut a finger, severing an artery, which resulted in six stitches being taken.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson celebrated their wedding anniversary, December 19, with Irvington and Newark friends.

JOHN REIS DIES

We are sorry to lose another of our old pioneers, Mr. John Reis. He passed away at a hospital Wednesday.

Jacob Primer Leese arrived at Yerba Buena (San Francisco) July 1, 1836, to establish the community's first retail firm.

PLAN YOUR Holiday Feast with FINE FOODS from SAFEWAY

Meats for Christmas Menus

IT'S TIME TO SELECT YOUR TURKEY . . . BE SURE OF TOP QUALITY . . . GET YOUR TURKEY AT SAFEWAY!

HEN TURKEYS Fully Cleaned and Ready to Cook—Lb. **73¢**

TOM TURKEYS Under 22 Lbs. Ready to Cook—Lb. **65¢**

LARGE SIZE TOM TURKEYS 22 lbs. & over—Lb. **63¢**

BELTSVILLE TURKEYS Small Oven-Ready Birds for a Christmas Dinner Treat—Lb. **79¢**

Swifts Premium Hams Mild, Tasty Cure 12 to 14 lb. Average—Lb. **59¢**

Standing Rib Roast Fully Aged 7 inch Cuts. U. S. "Choice" Grade—Lb. **89¢**

Roasting Chickens Young and Tender. Ready for the Oven—Lb. **79¢**

Long Island Ducklings Ready for the Oven—Lb. **69¢**

Fresh Drawn Fryers Fully Cleaned. Ready to Cook—Lb. **69¢**

Boneless Canned Hams Horme' or Armour Brands 6 lb. 12 oz. Size—Each **$6.79**

Leg of Pork Roast Meaty Whole or Full Half Cuts—Lb. **63¢**

Leg of Lamb "Prime" and "Choice" Grades. Safeway Trim—Lb. **89¢**

Eastern Sliced Bacon Standard Quality. 1-lb. Layers—Lb. **53¢**

Pure Pork Sausage Seasoned Just Right. Safeway Brand—Lb. **59¢**

Fresh Northern Oysters Finest Quality—Pint Glass **73¢**

Safeway Holiday Produce Treats

ADD COLOR AND APPEAL TO YOUR HOLIDAY MEAL WITH FINE FRUITS AND FRESH VEGETABLES FROM SAFEWAY.

CRISP CELERY Crunchy—Medium Size Green Stalks—Lb. **7¢**

NAVEL ORANGES Large Size Plenty of Juice **5 Lbs. 45¢**

RIPE BANANAS Golden Yellow Green Tip **2 Lbs. 29¢**

Red Delicious Apples Fancy Northwest Variety **2 Lbs. 35¢**

Fancy Avocados Fuertes. Pre-ripened. Large Size—Each **19¢**

Brussels Sprouts Tender and Sweet Flavored Cello Package—Each **25¢**

Sweet Potatoes & Yams **2 Lbs. 29¢**

Arizona Grapefruit Large Size—Lb. **9¢**

Radishes & Green Onions Bunch **5¢**

Russet Potatoes U. S. No. 1 **10 Lb. Economy Bag 67¢**

PRICES EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 20 THRU 24 IN CENTERVILLE

Prices subject to changes made necessary by market fluctuation or changes in OPS ceiling prices. All items subject to stock on hand. Right to limit reserved.

Suggested Selections for your Christmas Menu

1st Quality Butter Spring House, Cubes—1-lb. Carton **79¢**

Cheddar Cheese Chatham, Mild—1-lb. **55¢**

Cherub Milk Evaporated—Tall Cans **3 for 35¢**

Appetizers - Relishes

Cheez-It Crackers Sunshine—6-oz. Pkg. **18¢**
Cheese Spread Pabst-Ett, Stand.—6½-oz. **28¢**
Apple Cider Western—Gallon Glass **69¢**
Cucumber Chips Hunt's, Sliced—12-oz. Gl. **15¢**
Ripe Olives Oliveland, Large—No. 1 Can **22¢**
Salted Nuts Circus, Mixed—7-oz. Can **53¢**
Ry-Krisp Wafers 9-oz. Package **21¢**

FROZEN ORANGE JUICE Anagold—6-oz. Can **2 for 29¢**

Soups - Salads

Heinz Soup Cr. of Mushroom—10¾-oz. **2 for 35¢**
Tomato Soup Rancho—22-oz. Can **17¢**
Fruit Cocktail Dole's—No. 1 Can **22¢**
French Dressing Kraft—8-oz. Glass **21¢**
Cottage Cheese Blossom Time—8-oz. **15¢**

PIEDMONT MAYONNAISE Quart Glass **55¢**

Canned Foods

Green Giant Peas No. 303 Can **2 for 35¢**
Asparagus Highway, All Green—No. 2 Can **40¢**
Cherries Pitted—Honeybird, Red, Tart—No. 2 **26¢**
Apricots Valley Gold, Unp. Halves—No. 2½ Can **33¢**
Green Beans Briargate, Fancy Cut—303 Can **19¢**
Pineapple Chunks Lalani—No. 2 Can **27¢**
Sliced Beets Del Monte—No. 303 Glass **19¢**
Sweet Potatoes Tenderpak—23-oz. Sq. Can **21¢**
New Potatoes Del Monte, Whole—No. 2 **2 for 25¢**
Gardenside Tomatoes No. 2½ Can **21¢**
Grapefruit Fancy No. 300 Can **17¢**

DEL MONTE CORN Golden Cream Style No. 303 Can **2 for 31¢**

Frozen Foods

a complete selection at Safeway

Bel-air Peas 12-oz. Package **19¢**
Fordhook Limas Bel-air—12-oz. Package **33¢**
Strawberries Bel-air, Sliced—12-oz. Package **32¢**
Peas & Carrots Birds Eye—10-oz. Package **23¢**
Broccoli Spears Bel-air—10-oz. Package **21¢**

Candies - Desserts

Chocolate Drops Roxbury—1-lb. Cello **32¢**
Satin Mix Roxbury—1-lb. Cello **27¢**
Filled Dainties Hromada—14-oz. Glass **39¢**
Candy Suchards **24** Bars **79¢** **3** Bars **10¢**
Mince Meat S & W—28-oz. Glass **55¢**
Mince Meat None Such—9-oz. Package **25¢**
Cake Mix Pillsbury, Golden Yellow—17-oz. **36¢**

ROXBURY CANDIES Orange Slices & Gum Drops 1-lb. Cello **25¢**

Miscellaneous

Walnuts California, Baby Size—1-lb. Cello **39¢**
Mixed Nuts Sunset—1-lb. Cello **45¢**
Glace Fruit Mix S & W—1-lb. Glass **43¢**
Glace Cherries Palmdale—7-oz. Glass **35¢**
Pitted Dates Dromedary—7¼-oz. Package **22¢**

MOTHER'S FRUIT CAKES Light, 12-oz. Dark, 1-lb. **50¢** Light, 24-oz. Dark, 2-lb. **1.00**

NOB HILL COFFEE Whole Roast—1-lb. Bag **77¢**

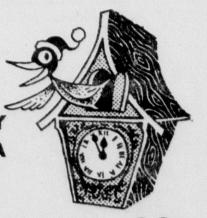
AIRWAY COFFEE Whole Roast—1-lb. Bag **75¢**

STUFFING BREAD Mrs. Wright's—Large Loaf **21¢**

CRISCO Shortening—3-lb. Can **89¢**

CHEER SUDS 21-oz. Pkg. **27¢** 57-oz. Pkg. **75¢**

Last minute needs



CHECK THIS LIST FOR ITEMS YOU MAY HAVE FORGOTTEN . . . BE SURE OF A WELL-STOCKED PANTRY.

Dinner Rolls Brown'n Serve—10-oz. Pkg. **22¢**
Whipping Cream Lucerne—½-Pint Carton **35½¢**
Margarine Sunnybank—1-lb. Carton **28¢**
Strawberry Jam Wilson's—12-oz. Glass **28¢**
Cream Topping Tip-Top—6-oz. **45¢**
Cream Cheese Kraft, Philadelphia—8-oz. Pkg. **40¢**
Petri Wine Port, Sherry, Tokay Dessert Varieties or Burgundy, Sauterne Table Varieties—1/5 **58¢**
Paper Napkins Zee, Dinner—Pkg. of 40 **2 for 25¢**
Trend Suds 12½-oz. Pkg. **20¢** 33-oz. Pkg. **49¢**
Duz Soap Powder 12½-oz. Package **27¢**

YOUR SAFEWAY STORE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY!

SAFEWAY

'GIRL OF THE YEAR' NAMED AT W.U.H.S.

Elizabeth Flores, popular co-ed at Washington High, was this week named the outstanding girl in the senior class.

Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Flores of Alvarado, was nominated by senior girls and chosen by the faculty on the basis of scholarship, student activities, leadership and general merit.

She is editor of the high school annual, member of the California Scholarship Federation, the girls' drill team, the rally committee and is active in dramatics. An accomplised panist, she acts as accompanist for many of the student programs.

As a result of her selection as outstanding senior girl, she is now eligible to compete for the annual scholarship award of the Daughters of the American Revolution and is now completing preliminary examinations.

CALLED TO NEW YORK

Charles Russell of Niles returned last Sunday night from New York City, where he had been called because of the death of his brother, Earl Russell.

GIRL SCOUTING

The regular meeting of the Girl Scout Troop No. 66 was held on December 17. Part of the meeting was spent writing thank-you notes to the members' mothers. The rest of the meeting was spent finishing the gifts for the girls' mothers.

Saturday we had a Christmas party at the Centerville school. The girls liked it very much.

—Cynthia Goodwin, Scribe.

Female caribou bear antlers, unlike other species of deer.

SCENE IN CENTERVILLE

By IRENE MENDONCA

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Brazil will be members of their family, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brazil and son, Lieutenant Rudolf Brazil, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Brazil and family. Lt. Brazil is on leave until January 6 and will be stationed at Treasure Island for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Souza will motor to Walnut Creek on Christmas Day to be with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Valentine.

The Bob Moores of Oak Street are having Mr. and Mrs. Biensteiner of San Francisco and Mrs. Flora Moore of Oakland for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bean and family of Fremont Avenue are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Joaquin DeValle and son, Gene, on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Joseph of Emerson Street will be hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brazil and sons of Hayward for dinner on Christmas Day. Miss Elaine Joseph, a student at San Jose State, will bring a friend, Miss Dolores Gomes, home with her over the holiday week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Seraphine Bettencourt of Thornton Avenue will have their children and their families on Christmas Day for dinner. They are Mr. and Mrs. Seraphine Bettencourt Jr. and children, Mr. and Mrs. George Rodrigues and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. William Santana.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Correa of Elm Street are having their relatives in for dinner on Christmas Day. Those invited are Mr. and Mrs. F. Cordiero of Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Correa and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rose and daughter of Centerville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Silveira of Thornton Avenue have invited 50 members of their family for a reunion on Christmas Day.

A Christmas dinner party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Andrade and son on Christmas Day. Those invited are Mr. and Mrs. Del Lambert of Hillsburg, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Amaral, Miss Marian Jasper, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburt Andrade and son Paul, Miss Evelyn Amaral of Redwood City, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Medieros and daughter of San Jose, Pfc. Eldin Amaral, who is stationed at Camp Stoneman, will be at home on Christmas Day to join in on the festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Nordvik and family of Oak Street will spend Christmas at home with guests on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Those expected are the Harry Webers, the Bert Fullers, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Steinmetz, Mr. and Mrs. John Nordvik and children, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Lund.

A Christmas Eve party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Silva and family of Oak Street. The guests will be Mr. and Mrs. John Abreu of Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Abreu and son of Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Silva and family, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Silva and family of Decoto, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Perry of Irvington.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Coelho of Elm Street are entertaining guests on Christmas Eve. They are Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Pacheco of Monterey, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rose and children of Niles, Mr. and Mrs. Antone Andrade, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Magud, Mr. and Mrs. George Marks and Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Nunes. On Christmas Day the Coelhos and Mr. and Mrs. George Marks will be dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Nunes.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Baptista and family of Fremont Avenue are planning to spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in Ceres with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Esteves and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Amaral and family of Joseph Street will spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. John Perry of Baine Avenue. Other members of the family will also be present.

POT LUCK SUPPER

The members of U.P.P.E.C held a pot luck supper at the Parish Hall Tuesday night.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brown of Thornton Avenue had guests in for bridge and Tom and Jerries Saturday night. They were the Lester Manns and the George Worleys of Centerville, the John Shulls and Vincent Kaehlers of Newark, and the Mac Curries of Irvington.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Jill Voorhees, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Voorhees of Mt. Vernon Avenue, was guest of honor on her eighth birthday at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Voorhees Sr., of Oak Street. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Matt Whitfield Sr. and Mr. Matt Whitfield Jr.

WHAT GOES ON AT THE NEWARK YOUTH CENTER

By FRANK LOMBARDO

The marble championship of Newark will be decided Saturday afternoon in the lot next door to Freeman's Market, weather permitting. The marble golf tournament will also be played off that day.

Kenneth Andrus has been declared the winner of the 8 to 12 group and E. G. Falkner winner of the 13 to 15 group.

The teenage dance got off to a good start Saturday night. All teenagers are urged to attend. Dancing is from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Instructors are available for the youngsters who do not know how to dance.

A merry Christmas and a happy New Year from the boys and girls

SPECIAL CHURCH SERVICES PLANNED

The Holiday services to be held this week in the Centerville Presbyterian Church will mark the completion of a month of Christmas preparation. The highlight of this series will be a service of carols and candlelighting held at 10 p.m. Christmas Eve.

This first endeavor of such an event is the direct result of popular demand on the part of the congregation.

The Sunday morning worship will include the solo, "Jesu Bambino" by Mrs. Lorraine Alameda, and the anthem will be Fred Waring's arrangement of "The First Christmas." "The Christmas Message for Our Day" is the sermon topic chosen by Reverend Howard Steward.

The annual Christmas program of the Sunday School will be presented tomorrow evening (Saturday) at 7:30. Those attending are bringing foodstuffs wrapped in white to be used in Christmas baskets for the needy.

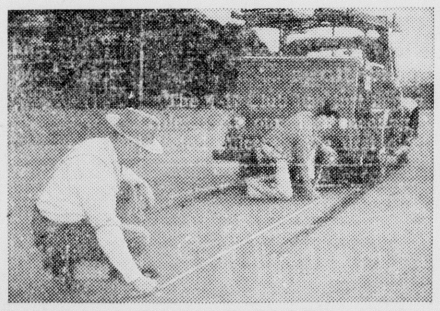
The members and their friends of the Junior High and the Senior High Youth Groups will caroll Sunday evening from 6:30 to 10 o'clock, and Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Masonic Home.

Careful training and observance of safety codes make telephone drivers among the safest on the road today.

HOW TELEPHONE DRIVERS GUARD YOUR SAFETY

Safe driving is an important part of their job

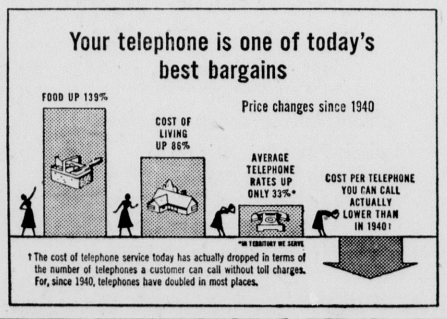
1. **Accidents seldom happen** when drivers are properly trained, and strictly observe safety codes. That's why telephone drivers have won awards as among the safest on the road. Pacific Telephone drivers can point with pride to their impressive safety record—a record achieved when we had more vehicles on the road than ever before, and during the busiest years in our history.



2. **Exacting performance tests** must be passed regularly by all telephone employees operating motor vehicles. Under the watchful eye of company examiners, and with the cooperation of local police departments, these road tests stress quick reaction and safe driving. In addition, drivers must pass physical and eye examinations, as well as written and oral tests which insure a full knowledge of the rules of the road.

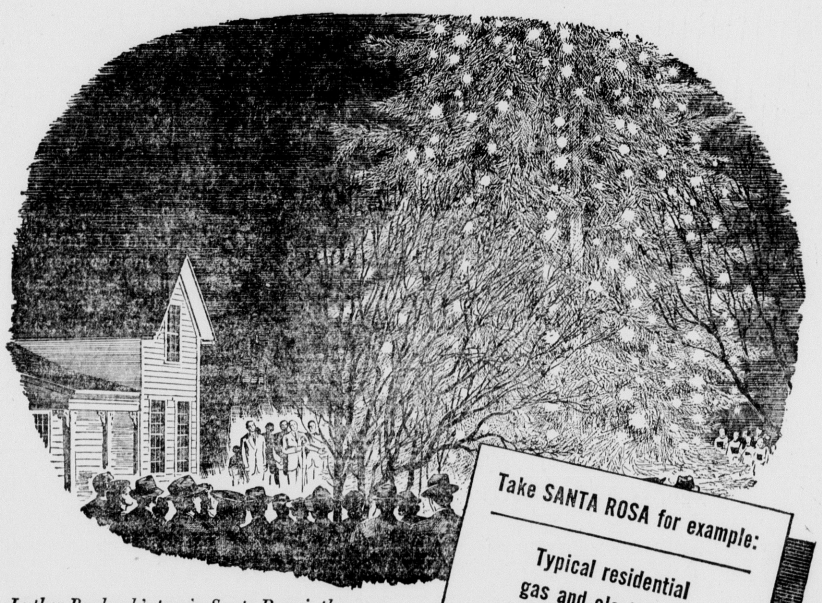
3. **Protecting your safety,** and the safety of telephone people, is just one more big responsibility for your telephone company—along with providing more and better service. We're proud of our safety record, maintained, as it has been, through the greatest expansion period in our history. An expansion that has meant adding over 1,800,000 new telephones here in the West since the war. And yet telephone rates have gone up far less than most things, which makes your telephone one of today's best bargains.

Your telephone is one of today's best bargains


Price changes since 1940
FOOD UP 139%
COST OF LIVING UP 86%
AVERAGE TELEPHONE RATES UP ONLY 33%*
COST PER TELEPHONE YOU CAN CALL ACTUALLY LOWER THAN IN 1940†
*NO TELEPHONE WE SERVE
† The cost of telephone service today has actually dropped in terms of the number of telephones a customer can call without toll charges. For, since 1940, telephones have doubled in most places.

Pacific Telephone

Gas and electricity are cheap in California!



Luther Burbank's tree in Santa Rosa is the scene of a national Christmas tree broadcast each year

Take SANTA ROSA for example:

Typical residential gas and electric bill

In Santa Rosa . . . $9.18

In all U.S. cities of similar size* . . $14.95

*Average for the 21 U.S. cities outside California between 17,500 and 18,000 population. Based on a typical use of 100 kilowatt hours and 100 therms of gas per month.

P.G. and E. home rates are far below U.S. average!

The cost of living has nearly doubled since 1940, but P. G. and E. domestic rates are actually lower than 11 years ago! Nothing else you buy costs so little—does so much. Let P. G. and E.'s bargain gas and electricity do more of your work, bring you more of life's comforts.

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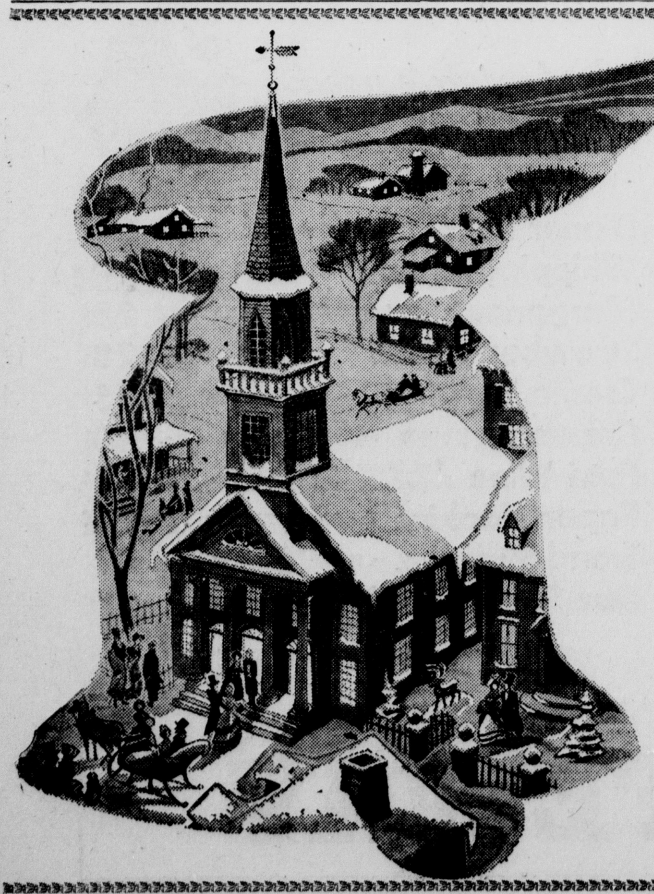

Christmas Greetings

To Our Patrons . . .

AND THE COMMUNITIES OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP WHICH WE SERVE

Peace in our town ... yes, and peace in our time for all the world... with the Christmas spirit holding eternal sway over all our hearts.

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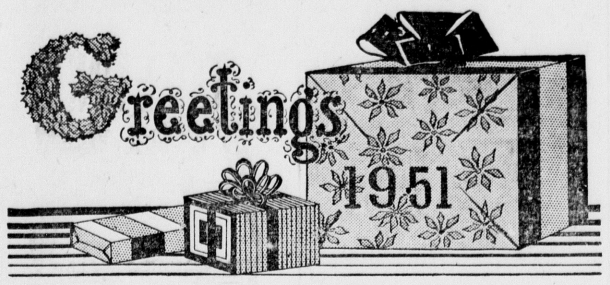
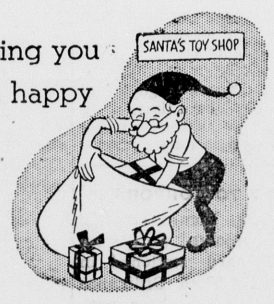


NILES FURNITURE COMPANY

Niles

We're wishing you a sprightly, happy time this Yuletide



SCOTT'S SHOE STORE

Niles

Sing out the wonderful tidings again this Christmas

CITIZEN'S UTILITY COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA

Niles Decoto

Santa Claus Makes a Stop Out West

Candles have lighted Christmas eve around the world for generations.

It has long been a custom in Ireland to place a lighted candle in the window to guide the Christchild on his way, and the use of candles appears in other lands in many ways.

In Czechoslovakia, for example, tiny candles are set upright in nutshells and floated in pans of water. Armenians use myriads of candles in preparing their Christmas decorations.

At unique church services in Labrador each child receives a little lighted candle standing in a turnip, and keeps it until after the services, at which time the turnip is eaten.

In Norway, families arrive at church on Christmas eve, each carrying a flaming torch. These are stuck in the snow while the goodfolk attend the services.

The shad is one of the most valued foods on the Atlantic Coast.

The Civic Auditorium at San Francisco contains one of the largest pipe organs ever constructed.

The first printing press was imported into this country in 1639.

The first county free library was established in Sacramento in 1908.

MEMORIAL BUILDING NEARS COMPLETION

The new $60,000 addition to the Veterans Memorial Building at Niles is expected to be completed in February but the dedication will not be held until Memorial Day, it was revealed this week by LeRoy Broun, member of the Building Commission.

The dedication will be held on the twenty-first anniversary of the original dedication of the building.

The expansion program was approved by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors last year and construction has been under way since last fall.

The addition to the building includes expansion of the dining hall and kitchen facilities and a meeting room for the Legion and V.F.W. Auxiliaries.

LARGE PART OF STATE'S MILK PRODUCED HERE

Cows on Alameda County's dairy farms are producing more than 25,580,000 quarts of milk annually—about 26 per cent of the fluid milk requirements of a city such as San Francisco.

With this sizeable milk output the county's dairy farms contribute directly to giving California first rank in the nation on the basis of average milk production per cow. Last year California's milk cows produced an average of 7,410 pounds of milk and 289 pounds of butterfat as compared with a national average of 5,292 pounds of milk and 209 pounds of butterfat.

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INTERNATIONAL KITCHEN
AND COCKTAIL LOUNGE

ROSE CITY POTTERY

Niles

Santa's little helper came down to us from Scandanavia.

Many years before Leif Eriksen touched American shores, the children of the North believed that a little elf with long white whiskers —Jul Tomten—saw that the earth was abundant with good food and that the animals and birds were taken care of.

After the pagan Vikings were Christianized, little Jul became the giver of presents—just as Santa today. It became a custom for children to leave a bowl of porridge on the kitchen table for the little elf, who would leave presents in exchange.

Travelers picked up the legend of Jul Tomten and carried it around the world. To us, he is the busy, jolly, good little elf who works happily in Santa's workshop.

'Silent Night' Is Most Beloved Carol

Of all the songs that return to bring warmth to the Yuletide season, no carol is so universally known as "Silent Night." Certainly no other is as loved and sung as this simple German song.

For years its origin was unknown, except that it supposedly dated back for many centuries. Recent investigations, however, disclosed that it was produced in 1818. The poem was originally written by Joseph Mohr, an assistant priest in Oberndorf in South Germany. The melody was composed by a schoolmaster, Franz Gruber.

Both the poet and the composer were part of the choir that sang the now famous carol that Christmas Eve in the Oberndorf church. The beloved song was sung first to the accompaniment of a guitar, for the church organ was out of order that Eve in 1818.

It has since been sung to the tune of almost every musical instrument in the world, in the languages of many men.

Plum Pudding Came Far Since Ancient Origin

Plum pudding—the ancient English delicacy traditionally served with Christmas feasts—has come a long way since it entered the culinary lists hundreds of years ago as Yule-dough.

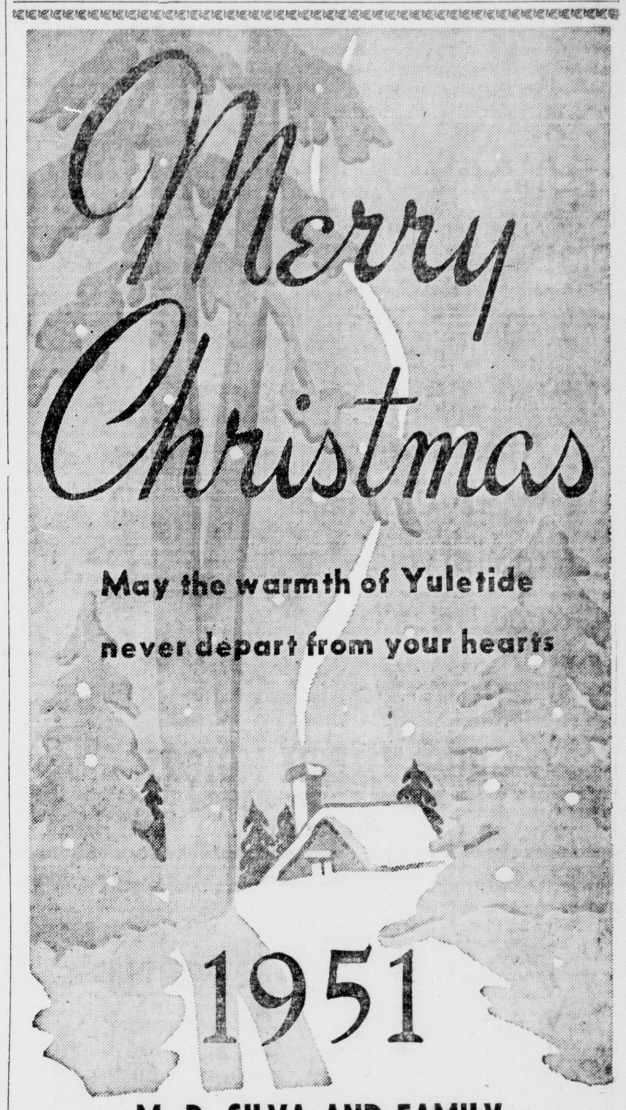
Yule-dough was composed of chopped meat paste, spices, to symbolize the gifts of the Magi, and flour, regarded as embodying the spirit immanent in the wheat.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The Knights of Pythias Lodge No. 170 elected officers at their meeting in the Youth Center December 5.

Slated to take over the chancellor commander office is Clarence Springer of Niles; Stanley Blythe, vice-commander; Carl Hersey, prelate; Ray Truscott, master of works; Leonard Whitbeck, secretary; Ernest Phippen, master of finance; William Hildebrand, master of exchequet; Arthur Cline, master at arms; Luther Emmett, inner guard; and James Spear, outer guard, all of Newark.

A Christmas dinner, held in the Youth Center on December 19, honored the new officers.



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Niles

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AMERICAN FORGE
Niles

READ THE ADS AND SAVE MONEY!

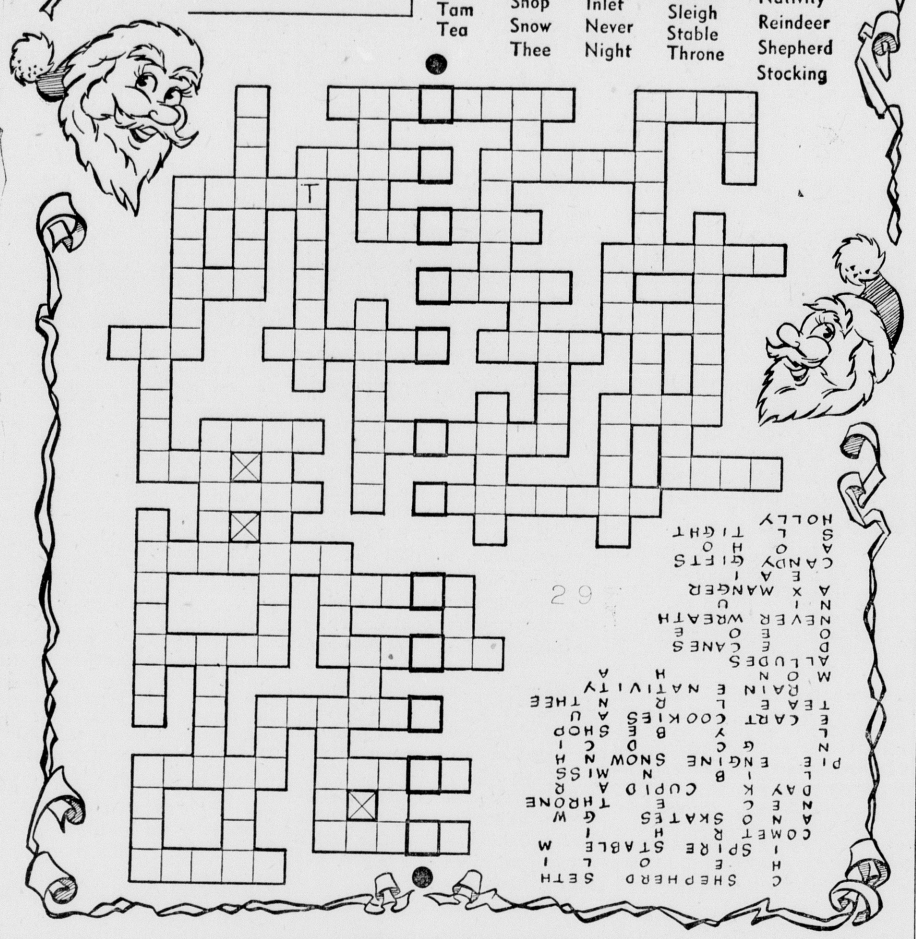
A heartfelt "Merry Christmas" to all of you, good friends

ROSE-VALENTE MOTORS
Kaiser-Fraser Agency
Centerville

Christmas Criss-cross

Fit all the words into the right spaces and you'll end up with a three-word gift in the heavy squares—something we all want for Christmas. The answer is at the lower right, but don't peek until you've finished the puzzle.

Day	Cart	Birth	Santa	Wreath
Fog	Cash	Candy	Sheep	•
Him	Doll	Canes	Spire	Alludes
Inn	Inch	Carol	Tight	Bicycle
May	Miss	Comet	Vixen	Chimney
Out	Odes	Cupid	•	Cookies
Pie	Rain	Gifts	Candle	Madonna
Rot	Scow	Heirs	Engine	Worship
Rug	Seth	Holly	Manger	•
Set	Shop	Inlet	Skates	Nativity
Tam	Snow	Never	Sleigh	Reindeer
Tea	Thee	Night	Stable	Shepherd
			Throne	Stocking



GNOMES AT WORK . . . Three little gnomes diligently prepare for Christmas under the watchful eye of Santa Claus in his workshop at Santa Claus, Indiana. They are building, waxing and polishing toys to go into Santa's pack on Christmas eve.

Danger of Fire Is Greatly Enhanced By Christmas Tree

THE AVERAGE CHRISTMAS tree can go up in smoke in only two minutes. That doesn't leave much time for the fire department to get there.

A live tree with roots packed in a bucket of earth is the safest. Be sure and keep the dirt moistened. A small tree is safer than a large one and festive trimmings can make up what it lacks in size.

Keep the tree outdoors until you are ready to set it up inside. When you bring it in, keep it in the coolest part of the house with the radiator nearest it turned off.

Use noninflammable aluminum foil—not cotton or paper—to conceal container in which tree is "planted." Use noninflammable trimmings on the tree.

Don't use lighted candles. (This may seem an unnecessary precaution in this day of electric lights, but lighted candles contribute to tragic fires every year.)

Check the wiring for the tree to see that it's not frayed and is in perfect condition. The switch for turning off and on electric lights should be at some distance from the tree. Don't plug or unplug lights beneath the tree.

Don't leave tree lights on when it isn't necessary and especially when the family is away from home. From time to time, check over the tree and see if needles near the lights are turning brown. If they have, move the lights.

Watch the calendar. New Year's is the day for the tree to go down. If you should extend the time, don't leave the lights on the tree for more than a half hour at a time.

PHIL'S DOUGHNUT NOOK
Centerville

GOODWIN ACCOUNTING SERVICE
Centerville

NEW 4-H CLUB NAMES LEADERS

By GIL WHIPPLE 4-H Club Reporter

The 4-H Club has just begun at Niles. At our last meeting we elected officers. We first elected the community leader, Mr. William Tyson. His assistant is Mrs. Christine Smith.

The president is Doris Brooks and the vice-president is Larry Robbins; secretary-treasurer, Patricia Scott; reporter, Gil Whipple; game leader, Billy Granger, and song leader, Shirley Roderick.

For the boys' projects there is beef, poultry, and farm and home electricity. The leaders are Mr. John Whipple for beef, Mr. Paul Merrill, poultry, and home electricity, Mr. Ted Logan.

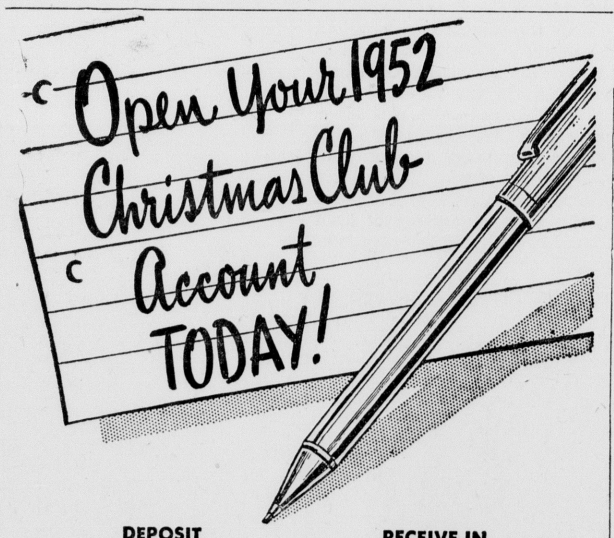
The girls' projects are sewing and cooking. The leaders are Mrs. Marie Elliott and Mrs. Doyce Wood for sewing.

The fourth Monday of every month is the meeting day and 7 p.m. is the time. It is held in the eighth grade room at Niles.

The moray eel is the greatest natural enemy of the octupus.

PROMOTED TO CORPORAL

Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Brunelli of Centerville received word from their son, Richard, stationed in Korea with the 570th Ordinance Company, that he has been promoted to corporal.



DEPOSIT WEEKLY	RECEIVE IN 50 WEEKS
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5.00	250.00
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20.00	1,000.00

... plus 2% interest on completed Clubs

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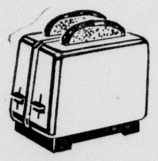
It's a practical Christmas when you give an always practical electrical gift. Here's a list to help you make this an easy shopping Christmas . . . each a popular gift item.

ELECTRIC MIXERS
$42 up



ELECTRIC TOASTERS
$23 up

ELECTRIC BLANKETS
$42.95 up

ELECTRIC IRONS
$12.95 up

Combination WAFFLE IRON-SANDWICH GRILL
$20.95 up

ELECTRIC COFFEE MAKERS
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WE ALSO CARRY A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF ELECTRICAL TOOLS FOR THE HOBBYIST

Niles Electric Co.
780 First Street Niles Phone 4443

Christmas Greetings

• To all the children --grownup or otherwise --our very best wishes.

CASTRO DAIRY
Niles-Mission Highway

Our best wishes go out heartily to all our good friends

MINT BARBER SHOP
Niles

Hillview... and You

By FRANK VONDERWERTH

LAST TIME

Looking at the calendar, I see this is the last time I will see you before Christmas. May I then offer you the greetings of the season and may the blessings of the Good Lord be upon you. Lets all offer our thanks to the Christ Child for His coming, may we all enjoy our dinner, may our Christmas be merry and bright, and let us look forward to the first full year in our new homes. What a wonderful day, and more, what a wonderful time we will have with the kids.

GROWING UP

Do you seem to notice more kids running around? I do. And what a grand sight. Nothing like kids to make you feel at home. Saw some playing football in the street the other day. Saw some more climbing over mountains of wood in the vacant lot (where we hope to have a recreation hall), and still others standing around looking for something to do. Sure can tell vacation time is here.

RESULTS . ..

Each week we try to give a little information about the association. So, over to King Cole's house I went the other night. I even went so far as to ask the actual number we have in the association. King said it was impossible to know until all the reports have been handed in to the committee. This is the way it is working. The executive committee has gone out and contacted the people in their section. They in turn have appointed a person to contact ten others and ask them to join the association. So, with this method, the whole tract will be reached in a very short time, but we are not able to obtain the results as quickly as we would like. You can understand why I am not able to give you the figures as to how many we have. But off the record, King reports the results are indeed gratifying. And he should know. As a matter of fact, the Chamber of Commerce has been after us with a proposition. This I will tell you all about next week.

TRAFFIC LIGHT

In passing in and out of the main gate, I had noticed a rope across the street and on the other end a counting machine. Yes, in just this short time we are getting action on a light at the entrance. This is a direct result of the work of the association. This I know as I saw the letter. Seems the County Supervisor for this area has taken the proper steps in favor of the light. We are very fortunate in being able to get one so very soon. Matter of fact, neither you nor I had expected it so soon.

STREET LIGHTS

Soon around the first of the year we will be having our street lights in. Not all of them, mind you, but enough to get by. This was also included in the letter I saw from the Supervisor. We are getting a lot done around here and the interest we all have in our Village should be displayed by becoming an active member of the association. The work of the association is really just beginning and naturally it is going to need all the help we can give. The traffic light and the street lights (about twenty in all) are a few of the results of unity.

SEA OF MAIL!

That's what we are now calling our little 'ole post office in Decoto. With the Christmas help, and the packages, and the letters, and more letters coming in, the girls can't move around. But still what a wonderful job they are giving us. Could be there is some relief in sight, though. The lady in charge told me there has been a telegram sent to Washington and Oakland asking for regular delivery.

LAST CHAPTER . . .

Better leave now while I have the chance. And remember, you can't be too careful in this weather, and with Christmas coming as it is. May the Good Lord bless you, one and all.

SCOUT EXECUTIVE MOVES TO IDAHO

Officers of the Oakland Area Boy Scout Council this week released information that Don MacDougal, for the past five years district executive of the Southern District of the Council, has been appointed Scout executive of the Tenday Area Council of the Boy Scouts with headquarters in Pocatello, Idaho. Tenday Council serves Southeastern Idaho including rich agricultural areas of the Snake River Valley and has a high record of participation in Boy Scouting.

In addition to his duties as a district scout executive, MacDougal has served as director of camping for the Oakland Area Council for the past two years, with responsibility for the prompt services and staff at both rancho Los Mochos and the Council's summer camp, Dimond-O, near Yosemite. He was appointed district executive of the Oakland Area Council in May of 1946.

CONNOLLY WINS FREE VACATION

A two weeks' vacation to the East Coast with all expenses paid was the prize won by Walter Connolly, Irvington furniture and appliance dealer, this week.

Connolly received a letter Tuesday stating that he was one of 36 California dealers to win first place in their category in a three months' contest sponsored by the General Electric Company.

Connolly's award was for outstanding sales record for the 90-day period. He and Mrs. Connolly will make the trip via plane in early February.

The largest rodent native to North America is the beaver.

NEWS NOTES FROM IRVINGTON

By ANNA LEAL

TURKEY DINNER

The Irvington members of the Township Sportsmen's Club and their families enjoyed a turkey dinner and a Christmas party for their children with Santa Claus at the Country Club Saturday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mayer and son, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Steinmetz and son, Mr. and Mrs. Al Peixoto and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. George, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rego, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roethlin, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Feleciano, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Calcagno and two daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morsas.

FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Trenouth will celebrate Christmas at their home with a family reunion. They are Mr. and Mrs. William F. Humpert, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Humpert Jr. of San Leandro and their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. H. Messenger of Honolulu, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Astergut of San Francisco.

SEVENTH BIRTHDAY

Frankie Mayer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mayer, celebrated his seventh birthday Saturday. Those present were Carrin Rodgers and Ernie Rodgers of Mission San Jose, and Sherian Rogers Carlin Armstrong and David Lee Fisher of Irvington, Jerry King and Dennas Olivera of Centerville, and Loretta Faria of Decoto. They enjoyed cake and ice cream with Christmas spirit decorations. They all gave Frankie wonderful gifts.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Hirsch and son, Rickie, will spend Christmas with their parents and family, Mr. and Mrs J. U. Simmons of Modesto.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tosta are motoring to Gustine to celebrate Christmas with her parents and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Travas.

Mrs. Bell Sylvia and family will celebrate Christmas Eve with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and family of Centerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hirsch Jr. and Mr. Jim Fisher and daughter, Judie, of San Francisco, will be Christmas dinner guests at the home of their parent, Mr. Bill Hirsch Sr., and Teriesa Laveda.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Benbow will motor to Woodland for a family reunion Christmas dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reiss.

Mr. and Mrs. Philbert Silva and son Roger will spend Christmas in Turlock at the home of her parents and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mello.

Mr. and Mrs. Antone Braga, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Philbert Silva, a son, attended the U.P.E.C. Christmas party in San Leandro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mozzetti and son, Benjy, will motor to Hayward to join a family reunion for Christfas dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Zwissig.

SURPRISE PARTY

A surprise birthday party was given to Wr. F. Humpert by Mrs. Humpert Tuesday evening. Those enjoying the evening were Mr. given to Wm. F. Humpert by Mrs. of San Leandro, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Trenouth and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wilder.

CAST ANNOUNCED FOR YULE PROGRAM

In addition to the morning worship service, Sunday at 11, the Niles Congregational Church announces the following services and Christmas activities:

Sunday at 3 p.m., the members of the Pilgrim Fellowship will sing carols to the shut-ins in the Masonic Home.

The Church School Christmas program and tree will be held in Ford Pilgrim Hall at 7 p.m. Sunday evening, December 23. The Nativity Pageant is directed by Mrs. William Hempel and includes the following cast:

Narrator, Sharon Haines; prophets, Ronnie Schaaf and Douglas Hansen; Mary, Marilyn Laurensen; Joseph, Larry Robbins; Angel Gabriel, Dianne Roeding; Shepherds, Billy Hird, Michael Hewitt, Richard Robbins.

Angelic Host, Helen McElvain, Lyla Lloyd, Sigrid Hempel, Patricia Estudillo, Judy Preston, Jeanella McKenzie, Diane Lawrey, Sharon Franco, Wendy Hewitt and Susanne Hewitt; Wise Men, Donald Buehler, Jimmy Meeker and Michael Dean.

As a Christmas gift to others, the children will bring articles of used clothing for Korean relief.

MANY QUAIL HUNTERS

Many quail hunters have been in the field in the Kern County area during the past few days. Most of them have been taking limits of valley and mountain quail.

At one time the grizzly bear ranged from Mexico to Alaska.

We wish you the old-fashioned holiday happiness with a new and vigorous spirit

NEILSON HARDWARE
Centerville

This prayer we say, that your Christmas be a merry one for you and those you hold dear, away or near.

THE ELLSWORTH COMPANY
605 First Street
PHONE NILES 4554

May you have a lifetime of the kind of happiness you find on Christmas morning

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JERRY'S GIFT SHOP
Mrs. Geraldine M. Rogers
Centerville

BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES

Our train of thought carries a cargo of hopes for your holiday happiness

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GENERAL CONTRACTOR
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SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY, DEC. 21-22-24

WESSON OIL . . . . QT. 49¢
GOLD MEDAL FLOUR . 10 lb 85¢
SNOWDRIFT SHORTENING . . . 3 lb tin 87¢
COFFEE Maxwell House lb 81¢
MAYONNAISE Durkee's QT. 49¢
TIDE . . . . . LARGE 25¢
CRACKERS Crispy Sunshine lb 27¢
NUCOA Colored, Cubes lb 29¢

Order Your Christmas Turkey NOW!
MONIZ' LINGUISA . . . lb 95¢
MORRELL'S PRIDE HAM Whole or Half lb 58¢
PORK CHOPS Center Cut Loin lb 72¢
BACON Sliced, Morrell's Pride lb 52¢
SIRLOIN STEAKS US Grade A lb 89¢
SWIFT BROOKFIELD LINK SAUSAGE . . . . lb 57¢
FRESH DRESSED COLORED FRYERS . . . lb 48¢

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The EASY-DOES-IT CORNER
By JOE ROSE

How To Make An Attractive Christmas Decoration From Candle Ends. First we want to extend our warmest personal wish to you for a very Merry Christmas!

Make floating candle "flowers" from candle ends! Simply remove wicks from candle ends ... melt down wax ... pour wax into muffin molds, using same wicks again ... when hard, heat mold slightly to remove.

Floating "flowers" make effective conversation pieces ... as part of Christmas table or fireplace mantle decorations.

Many thanks for your patronage of our local business during the year, and best wishes to you for a happy 1952!

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Let us open our hearts to the wondrous peace and beauty of the season

CLOVERDALE CREAMERY
Centerville

DAY BY DAY IN DECOTO

By GRACE CAMINADA

Grace Caminada

WHERE IS IT NEEDED?

There seems to be quite a bit of discussion about the entrance to Hillview and how badly a traffic light is needed, etc. But have we stopped to consider the amount of traffic coming from and going into the Decoto Road? How badly we need attention there!

Perhaps there is a good reason why the Decoto residents and commuters from across the bay can't have a signal at that corner, but if there isn't, I too appeal for support of this perfectly good and worthwhile cause.

I inquired about house to house mail delivery for Decoto. I was told we couldn't have it because there aren't any sidewalks here. So I "shut up."

But now let's consider the traffic into Decoto and traffic into Hillview and let's see where a traffic signal is more needed.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Last Wednesday afternoon the pupils of the Decoto Elementary School from the kindergarten up to the fifth grade joined together and put forth a very entertaining Christmas program.

Mrs. Fairbanks' first grade opened the program with their rhythm band. Clothed in red capes and caps, they played "With Castanents," "Shadows" and "Ratataplan."

Mrs. Goold's kindergarten class sang "Up on the Housetop."

An acrostic of "Santa Might Know" was played out by Mrs. Amaral's room.

Christmas songs were nicely sung by Mrs. De Salle's second grade pupils.

A playlet, "Lights Out," was reacted by Mrs. Holzworth's third grade pupils.

Beatrice Belmares, from Miss Robinson's room, did a monologue.

"Santa Claus is Coming to Town" and "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer" were sung by Mrs. Kuykendall's third grade.

The playlet, "Santa Claus," was re-enacted from Mrs. Schaaf's third grade.

Songs were sung by Mrs. Dunn's fourth grade.

Choral readings were recited by Mrs. Laverty's fourth grade.

Miss Appel's sixth grade did several recitations.

The program concluded with Mr. Grillo's fifth grade singing carols and an accordion solo by Maxine Costa.

P.T.A. MEETS

The P. T. A. held its regular meeting at the conclusion of the Christmas program. Mrs. John Navas called the meeting to order. Mrs. Bernie Joseph read the treasurer's report following the flag salute, led by Mrs. Elvie Cordoza. Get-well cards were requested to be written to several members and a faculty member who have been ill. Following the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Frank Mateo, hospitality chairman, and her committee.

ALL CHILDREN CHECKED

Mrs. Frances Finley, P.T.A. health chairman, who was appointed after the resignation of Mrs. Leimback in September, reports that on November 29 every school child of both the Decoto and Barnard schools was weighed, measured and vision checked. Mothers assisting on that project were Mildred Mederos, Isabel Escalona, Betty Margarido, Mrs. Bernie Joseph, Mrs. Mowreader, Florence Wallace, Mrs. Leever, Mrs. Eula Hicks, Mrs. John Navas and Mrs. Elvie Cordoza and Mrs. Martin.

The Well-Baby Clinic, which is held every Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m., is also a project of Mrs. Finley. She has had the help of Stella Cambra, Irma Andrade, Mary Cordoza, Hazel Costa, Betty Margarido, Isabel Escalona and Marcella Rodrigues.

PARTIES AHEAD

The P.T.A. membership parties will be held on Friday afternoon. Miss Appel's sixth grade brought in 13 members and their party will be held in room 2 at 1 p.m. at the Decoto School. Mr. J. Perry's room brought in 22 new members. Their party will be held at 12 p.m. at the Barnard School. Both parties will be under the direction of Betty Margarido, membership chairman.

FARM HOME MEETS

The Alvarado Farm Home Department held their meeting Nov. 29, with Vice-Chairman Elsie Madruga presiding due to the death of Chairman Jessie Murphy's mother. Adeline R. Santos reported on the Garden Club. Ida Rogers and Rose Peixotto attended. Martha Faria reported on the county meeting. Nora Vargas was listed as the only sick member.

The annual Christmas party will be held on Dec. 27, starting at 11:30 with the meeting preceded by a pot-luck dinner. Anna V. Rose was named chairman of the pot-luck. Her committee is composed of Jane Wallace, Mary L. S. George, Matilda Enos, Adeline R. Santos and Rita Oliveira. Mary L. S. George was named as chairman of the card party for the day. A date for the annual whist party will be set at the December meeting.

MOTORS TO JACKSON

Martha Faria of Region No. 9 of the Alvarado Farm Home Department motored to Jackson in Amador County last Friday to attend a home meeting. She was accompanied by Mrs. Virginia Enos and Mrs. E. Sharp, the latter an organizing director.

TURKEY AND RAVIOLI

The anual Christmas dinner of the V.F.W. Paul Rivers Post was held Saturday evening at the Eagles Hall in Alvarado. Turkey and ravioli were enjoyed by the many who attended.

PARTY GOER

Loretta Faria attended a party on Dec. 16, given by Susan Silva of Centerville. The previous day Loretta was also present at the seventh birthday party of Frankie Mayer of Irvington.

CHRISTMAS DOINGS

Here's a wish for a very Merry Christmas to everyone. Hope you have been very good during this past year so Santa can fill that stocking to the brim.

Here's a list of what a few of us will be doing on Christmas Day:

Mr. and Mrs. G. Ratto of Fremont Avenue, Centerville, will motor to Oakland to spend the day with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Orsetti and son, Bruno, of Jarvis Road, Centerville, will dine with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Downing, their daughter, and Florence Downing in Walnut Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carey will be guests of the Bennie Dias family when they dine at Ferrante's in Palo Alto for their holiday dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cordeiro will spend the day in Alameda with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Rinaldo Caminada will be hosts to a large group who will gather from Los Angeles, Vallejo and San Leandro to be guests at their home.

A family dinner will be held at the Janeiro home on Railroad Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Decker will dine at home with just members of their immediate family present.

The Harold Farias of the Alvarado-Niles Road will be home with open house to all.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ferreira of Whipple Road will motor with their daughters, Sharon and Cathy, to the home of Louise Chibante of San Lorenzo for their Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Carpaneto and children will motor to Mrs. Carpentino's sister, Mrs. John Teeter of Sonoma for their Christmas dinner.

Marine Sgt. Bill Davis and his wife, who is a WAVE, will dine with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis of 109 Ninth Street. Bill Jr., who has been stationed at Treasure Island, expects to be sent to Korea by January 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Garcia of 937 Tenth Street will have dinner at home with their sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Joseph and children will entertain Mr. and Mrs. L. Roderick and daughter, Irene, of San Jose, and Mr. and Mrs. George Beardsley of Irvington on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kabrich and Patsy will spend Christmas Eve at home but will motor to Mt. Eden to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Kabrich on Christmas Day. Also attending the dinner will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kabrich and Sandra of Centerville, Mr. and Mrs. A. Largarticka, Antone Vierra, Danny Pedro, all of Decoto, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Bettencourt of Centerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Martin and children will dine at home for the holiday and then do some visiting.

The Delmar Martinez family will also have Christmas dinner at home.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Arriving home from the east where he has been stationed is Lt. John Ferrante who drove out in a new car for the holidays. John was greeted by his wife, Joyce, and their two daughters, who have been residing with Mr. and Mrs. A. Ferrante of Niles for the past several months. After a month's leave, Johnnie and his family will motor to San Diego as he will be stationed aboard ship. They will take up residence there.

NEW ARRIVAL

Born on December 18 at the Decoto Medical Building was Gracella Nava, tenth child of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nava of 1306 Jefferson Street, Alta Vista, The baby tipped the scales at 7 pounds and 3 ounces.

AT LAST!

After many unsuccessful trips, Fred Sanchez finally returned home recently with six ducks. Hum! Can't you just taste those roasted ducks? My mouth is drooling—pardon me.

TO CARMEL

Flora Silva, her daughter Tillie, and friend Tex, recently motored to Carmel to visit Flora's niece, Norma. The girls enjoyed their trip very much.

VISITING RELATIVES

Visiting relatives here this past week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Muniz of Patterson.

GIRL SCOUT PARTY

Mrs. Frank Margarido is planning an exchange of Christmas gifts for her Girl Scout party today at 3 p.m. The party will be held at the Barnard School. Refreshments will be served.

A CORRECTION

A correction is made in this week's column for the tentative date for the whist party of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Guild to be held on February 8 instead of the 7th. Look in the following issues for the definite date to be set soon.

Use Register Want Ads!

SHERIFF RESERVE TRAINEES NEAR END OF COURSE

Classes are recessing this week for Southern Alameda County sheriff's reserve and auxiliary police trainees, who will set aside books and classroom problems for the Christmas holidays, Sheriff H. P. Gleason announced.

There will be no civil defense training classes during the weeks of December 24 and December 31 in Washington, Eden and Pleasanton Townships, Gleason said. The training schedule, now in its final stages for the current group of 400 students, will resume the week of January 7 at Hayward, Centerville and Santa Rita.

Duties during an air raid, and the routine concerning missing persons will be among civil defense topics covered in the 1952 sessions, according to Sheriff's Lt. Floyd N. Heffron, in charge of training.

Members of the advanced classes, who will have a second vacation period the week of February 11, will be graduated on February 18 with a colorful ceremony to be staged at Santa Rita Rehabilitation Center.

Graduates will participate in a full dress review, and drill formation, and be presented with reserve badges by Sheriff Gleason.

Since enrolling in the training classes last winter, volunteer recruits have received regular "rookie deputy sheriff" training from Gleason's training officers. Supplementing classroom instruction, trainees travel as observers in sheriff's patrol cars in the unincorporated areas, and stand practice watches at the Santa Rita Rehabilitation Center.

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Local Families Set for Holiday

"Open house," that gracious custom of entertaining, prevails in Washington Township as it does elsewhere in the U.S.A. at Christmas time. The "open house" is informal. It's a way of exchanging a "Merry Christmas" in person with your friends and neighbors. It's a time to get out the fruit cake and the egg-nog, the pop-corn balls and the home-made candy. It's the time for warmth—the warmth that comes from friendship and the warmth that comes from sitting around an open hearthside.

In addition to the "open house" form of entertaining, when your home is thrown open to everybody, there are the more intimate family parties. Usually these are held on Christmas day, when relatives and close friends sit around the Christmas dinner table and are thankful once again that they can all be together.

Let's peek in on some of your neighbors and see how they will be spending the holiday

It will be strictly a family party for DR. AND MRS. F. J. DEBORBA of Centerville. With them will be their son, Gilbert, and his wife, from Santa Clara; their daughter, Barbara, who will come down from the University of California; Milton, who is at present living at home; and Mrs. DeBorba's mother, Mrs. Amalia Azevedo of Alameda.

DR. AND MRS. J. H. DURHAM of Irvington are planning to motor up to Grass Valley Saturday to stay with her mother, Mrs. A. J. Cunningham, until after Christmas.

The KENNETH FOSTERS of Newark will cross the bay to have Christmas dinner with Mr. Foster's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster, at their home in Mountain View.

Dinner guests at the VICTOR HESCHERS of Niles will be their son, Bill, and his wife, Maxine, and Mrs. Hescher's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hickey of Pittsburg.

Guests at the JOHN UNTIEDT home in Mission San Jose will be their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kimber (Charlotte Untiedt) and their six months old son, Jimmy, of Pomona; and another daughter, Ann, who will not have so far to come as she is a student at San Jose State College.

All of the OVERACKER clan will gather at the home of Michael Overacker in Mission San Jose for Christmas breakfast, and will break up into their own smaller family groups for Christmas dinner.

MR. AND MRS. J. A. KIRKISH of Centerville have made tentative plans to stay home, although it's possible they may be with relatives across the bay. In any case their daughter, Annette, will be with them. She is now a student at the University of California, studying public health, and is having two weeks' vacation.

MR. AND MRS. BRAD AGRELLA, former San Leandrans who moved to the Maurice Marks home this year, are planning to follow out their open-house tradition on Christmas Eve, just as they did in San Leandro. In addition, they are making plans—weather permitting—to join with some of the neighbors, the Fontes and the Marks, and go Christmas caroling on Christmas Eve.

MR. AND MRS. ED VIEIRA of Centerville will spend Christmas Eve at the home of Mrs. Vieira's brother, Alvin Gomes, in San Jose, and returning with them from San Jose will be her mother, Mrs. Fleecie Gomes, who is living with her son in San Jose now. She will have Christmas dinner with the Vieiras.

MISS FRANCES HAYES of Niles will spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Carrington, in San Luis Obispo. Her mother, Mrs. Ruby Hayes of Red Bluff, and her brother, Fred, will pick her up in Niles Saturday enroute to San Luis.

MRS. TOM POWER of Centerville, and her son, Paul, will drive over to Los Altos to have dinner at the home of a niece, Helen Jones.

The GEORGE HINKLEYS will have dinner at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George All of Santa Rosa, coming down to join them. Also present will be Mrs. Hinkley's brother, Louis All, and his wife and son of Oakland.

MR. AND MRS. JOE SHEPHERD of Centerville will motor over to San Francisco to spend Christmas Day with friends, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Womack.

MRS. LYLE BUEHLER and sons will be dinner guests at the home of the Merle Buehlers in Centerville. Mrs. Buehler will have one other visit to make on Christmas Day—to see her husband, Dr. Lyle Buehler, at the Alum Rock Sanitarium. She reports that he is getting along as well as can be expected.

The CHESTER GUNNS of Newark will motor over to Redwood City to spend the holiday with her sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. David Stott.

The ED KETTMANS Jr. of Newark and their two daughters, Joanne and Nancy Jean, will be dinner guests at the home of her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lewis of Centerville on Christmas Day. Others present will be Mrs. Bertha Rose, Mrs. Eleanor Lewis and Mr. Alwyn Lewis. The same group, with the addition of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kettman Sr., will all gather at the Kettmans in Newark on Christmas Eve.

The DIAS families—the E. E.'s and F. E.'s—will gather at the E. E.'s for Christmas Eve, and will have them a brand new member of the family, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Enos (Winifred Dias). The Diases will be at the Solons on Christmas Day.

MR. AND MRS. IRVING HIRD are getting ready to entertain out-of-town guests over the holiday, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Shoup of Merced and her sister, Mrs. Hal Crawford and husband and two sons, from Los Gatos.

MRS. J. A. SILVA and her son, Joseph, will motor over to San Francisco to have Christmas dinner with her two daughters. Amelia is a student at the University of California College of Pharmacy and Mary Rosalia is taking nurses' training at Stanford Hospital. They will have dinner at Amelia's apartment.

MR. AND MRS. E. D. MEEKER will spend Christmas Day at home but will leave on the following day for Santa Barbara, where they will pick up their oldest son, John, enroute home from the navy base at San Diego. He will be on a six-day leave, but after that will be on his way to Japan.

The LEON SOLONS are having a family reunion at Christmas, for it will be the first time in ten years that the whole family will be together. Their daughter and husband, Dr. and Mrs. Jack Rathbone and children, will come up from Santa Barbara; and their son, Bob, and wife—who have recently moved into their new home on Hillview in Niles—will also be with them; for Bob has a month's leave. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Dias and daughter, Harriet, will also be guests on Christmas Day.

Festivities at the GEORGE SCAMMAN home in Irvington will begin on Christmas Eve, when the Scammans will hold their annual "open house." On Christmas Day their guests will be their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scamman of San Jose, and their older daughter and husband; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones of Irvington, and Mr. Jones' mother, and the Scamman's youngest daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kearley of Irvington, and Mr. Scamman's sister, Miss Elizabeth Scamman of San Francisco.

At the JACK PARRY home, where their baby son will experience the delights of his first Christmas, Mr. Parry's mother, Mrs. Catherine Parry, will be a dinner guest, and also her oldest son, Tom. Evan, in the service, will not be able to be with his family.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN LEGRO of Irvington will have as their dinner guests their partner in their mink farm, Mr. James Kwapick, and his wife, and Mrs. LeGro's mother, Mrs. Aniel Key of Alameda.

At the CHARLES BELLATI home on Morrison Avenue, Niles, will be Mrs. Bellati's mother, and her sisters and brothers; her mother, Mrs. Margaret Craig of Santa Cruz; Mr. and Mrs. E. Craig of Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. C. Barnes of San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boehner of Watsonville; and Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Craig of San Jose.

Eleven members of the Enos clan—brothers and sisters and their families—will gather around the dinner table at the home of MR. AND MRS. ED ENOS of Niles.

With so many of her relatives wanting her to spend Christmas with them, MRS. JOE CHAMPION of Niles had almost reached the point of having to draw straws. Her son, Charles, of San Leandro, put up the best argument, however, so she will spend the holiday with him and his family. Another son, Tom Champion, and his wife and daughter, will motor up from Lindsay to also spend the day at the Charles Champion home.

The CHARLES RUSSELL home on the lake in Niles will ring with laughter and merriment over the holiday as they are expecting a large crowd of out-of-town relatives and friends. At the family dinner table on Christmas day will be three daughters—and their husbands and families—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Logan and Mrs. Patricia Delmas; and a son and his wife and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riley; and Mr. Logan's mother, Mrs. Pearl Logan, and a friend of Mrs. Delmas', Mr. Jack Arnett of Oakland. Later in the evening, after dinner, ten more guests are expected.

The JOHN WHIPPLES of Decoto, and their two children will spend the holiday at the home of Mrs. Whipple's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Horn of Oakland.

The BUNTING clan will gather at the "old homestead" in Niles for a Christmas Eve party. Included will be their three sons, Lawrence, Tom and Bev, and their wives and families. Two of their sons, Peter, of Dos Palos, and Robert, of Tuolumne, and their families, will not be able to be present.

Relatives will gather from the north and south to be present for the holiday at the home of the REV. AND MRS. HOWARD STEWARD of Centerville. Mr. Steward's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Steward Sr., and his sister, Miss Doris Steward, are expected to arrive Sunday from Los Angeles to stay until Wednesday. Another sister, Mrs. Allan Stevens and her husband will motor over from their home in Marin County.

It will be a family dinner on Christmas Day at the WES SEARS home. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Sears, will be present, and also his sister, Mrs. William Charnley and her husband and their children.

After all the rush of Christmas business the WALTER CONNOLLYS of Irvington will have a quiet Christmas Day at home with just members of the immediate family present.

MRS. BEATRICE FOURNIER of Niles will have all her family together this Christmas and is eagerly awaiting the happy occasion. Her daughter, Mrs. Wendell Ogard and her husband and son, Billy, are expected to arrive Saturday from Portland; also present for the Christmas dinner will be her son, Robert Jackson, and his family, from Mountain View.

The DAN BODILYS of Niles will be minus one member of their family this Christmas. Their three-year-old daughter, Karen, took off by plane last Sunday to spend a month or two with her aunt, Mrs. Edith Bronson, in Portland. Any child under five is not permitted to fly unaccompanied by an adult, so the Bodilys asked a business acquaintance, who was making the trip north, if he would mind "overseeing" Karen. It was a mutually satisfactory arrangement, for Karen likes strangers and was entirely at ease while she waved "good-bye" to her mommy and daddy when the plane took off.

The Bodilys, who are expecting an addition to the family before long, are taking it easy this Christmas. They have been invited to have Christmas dinner with friends in Campbell.

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Thinking Things Over . . :

By VIVIAN BATMAN

REMEMBER SOPHIE?

Sophie Gwerder, who used to be in Irvington, then in Newark, and now is running a very swank dining spot in Oakland, sent us one of her new cook books, just off the press.

In it are Sophie's recipes for her most delectable dishes, and those of you who know Sophie, know that they are very delectable indeed.

I have already tried some of the recipes, among them "Potato Soup a la Sophie" and "Parsley Potatoes a la Sophie." They are both yummy. In case you try Sophie's recipes, however, you'd better be warned that you'll have to put your conscience to sleep when it comes to using butter. But perhaps that's why people flock to her restaurant in Oakland.

I am waiting now to try her recipe for "Pressed Pheasant Under Glass." Does anybody have a pheasant handy?

LONELY SANTA CLAUS

I was in a store the other day and came upon Santa Claus sitting there looking lonely and forlorn, with not a kiddy in sight to pay him homage.

I looked at him and said, "Hi!" and he returned, "Hi," and then, because he looked so lonely, I had the sudden impulse to go sit on his knee and tell him what I wanted for Christmas.

No, I didn't do it! After all, a grown up woman doesn't go around sitting on strange men's knees, no matter how lonely they look, and even though they have long white beards and are wrapped in red flannel bunting. Who knows?—he may have been younger than I am!

LID LIFTERS

Do you have lid-lifters in your family?

I do. I have three of them—all males. They all come into the house at different times during the evening, and each one, as he walks up to the stove, lifts the lids on the pots. They start sniffing and saying, "H'm, smells good," or "H'm, what's that stuff?" depending on whether it's spaghetti and meat balls, to which they have a strange devotion, or creamed chip-beef, which they loathe.

With three of them indulging in this indoor sport, the arrival of dinner-time finds me, the one and only spectator in the "arena," in a complete state of collapse. This is especially true if I am cooking dumplings. As any housewife knows, under no circumstances can you lift the lid while dumplings are cooking.

When three different people lift the lid on the dumplings and then add insult to injury by remarking, when I put the dinner on the table, "Why are we having PANCAKES with this stew?" you can see why I am having little signs printed up in our printing department to paste on the lids, "Don't lift this lid on pain of instant suffocation from poisonous vapors," and "Beware. This pot contains dynamite, which will be discharged the instant the lid is lifted."

If any housewife has a better idea for coping with lid-lifters, let me hear about it, will you? I mean anything short of my having to sit on the kitchen stool with a .22 and picking them off like blackbirds as they come into the kitchen. I have already thought of that.

PROMENADERS HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party of the Irvington Promenaders was held last Saturday evening at the Newark Youth Center for members and their families.

The group enjoyed a pot-luck supper, followed by a visit from Santa Claus. The remainder of the evening was spent dancing.

In warm summer months, bears are especially fond of mud baths.

CENTERVILLE NAVY PILOT ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY

Don Branson of Centerville, a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve, has received his orders to report for a minimum of 17 months of active duty effective January 7.

Lt. Branson, who served four years as a navy fighter pilot during World War II, will report at the Miami, Florida, Naval Air Base for training duty. His family will accompany him to the east coast.

He has been employed at the Joe Adams Ford Agency in Centerville as a salesman.

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tfp

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2-ROOM COTTAGE, furnished, util. paid, $40 per month. 519 Lincoln St., Irvington. 51p

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COMPLETE PAINT SPRAYING OUTFIT. Electric floor sander and edger. Portable electric sander. Electric floor polisher. Electric hedge clippers. We carry a complete line of general paints. Sears and Houston, 2082 Thornton Avenue, Newark. Phone 3-3797. (We give S&H Green Stamps.) tfc

FLOOR and AUTO SANDERS, Waxers and Polishers. Paint Spray Guns for rent. Duffey Bros., Niles. 42tfc

FOUND

HORN-RIM BIFOCAL GLASSES near the end of School Street, Niles. Owner may claim by paying for this ad. Phone Niles 3054. 51c

LIVESTOCK WANTED

FAT & FEEDER CATTLE, sheep, hogs. Horses. Livestock transp. Clarence E. Pementel, lic. and bonded dealer. Ph. collect Irvington 115. RFD Box 198, Niles. Niles-Mission Hwy opp. Driscoll. 10tfc

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A-1 USED CARS
BUY NOW — SAVE $
Bank Terms—Low Interest

1950 PLYMOUTH coupe.

1941 INTERNATIONAL truck.

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1942 DODGE truck.

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WEDGEWOOD RANGE, gas, four burners, trans burner. Thermostatic oven control. In perfect shape. Reansonable. J. D. Siler, 824 Second St., Niles. Phone 4617. 51p

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS: Junior cowboy saddles, roping and using saddles, Cheyenne Roll and all kinds of tack. Nylon ropes. At Murphy's Saddle Shop, 514 Vallejo St., Niles. 51p2

3-BOTTOM JOHN DEERE PLOW, like new. 1-row tomato planter. Cauliflower cart. Manure spreader. Large seeder, for planting sugar beets, cucumbers, corn, beans, etc. 550-gal. diesel oil tank and pump. M. J. Bernardo, Baine Aive., Centerville. Phone 8-8947. 51p2

1946 PACKARD SEDAN. New seat covers and paint job. Blue book price $1165. Will trade or sell for $750 cash. Phone Newark 3-3950 or 3-3891. 50c

SHAVINGS and SAWDUST delivered to Decoto, Niles and Newark area, $13.50 for 30 cu. yd. load. Delivered at Hayward, Milpitas area, $16.50 30 cu. yd. load. Claude T. Lindsay, Inc., Phone Decoto 2561. 44tfc

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FOR SALE

2 FLOOR FURNACES in very good condition. Also several individual gas fired steam heaters, all sizes. All the above had been in constant use until central heating system had been installed in the Niles Apartments. Will sell for reasonable offer, individually or the group. Mrs. E. Ragghianti, 901 First Street, Niles. Phone 7332.

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CITRUS: New stock just arrived—lemons, oranges, grapefruit and tangerines. Sturdy, well branched trees. $4.50 up.

LIVING CHRISTMAS TREES—Cedar Deodoras, 2 to 6 ft., $1 up.

HEATHERS in full bloom, $1 up.

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Give a Living Christmas Gift.

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2 FLOORS OF MERCHANDISE

NEW SERVEL elect. refrigerators. Only elec. box carrying 10-yr. guarantee. No noise, no moving parts. Two doors. 11.5 cu. ft.

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Phone Newark 3-3950 12tfc

CARD OF THANKS

I want to express my thanks to the deputy sheriff who came to my assistance on December 10 in Decoto when one of my neighbors suffered a heart attack. This officer stopped and volunteered his services and radioed for a doctor and an ambulance. I am sorry that I did not get his name but I want him to know that his efficiency and assistance was greatly appreciated.

MRS. OLIVE MURDOCK
414 Fourth Street, Decoto

DUFFIE HURT IN HIGHWAY CRASH

A highway crash at the corner of Vine Street and Highway 21 in Mission San Jose Sunday night resulted in painful injuries for Fred H. Duffie of Niles.

Duffie, who is a trainee in the sheriff's reserve, was riding in one of the sheriff's patrol cars as a part of his training syllabus when the accident occurred.

The patrol car was northbound on Highway 21 responding to a call when a machine driven by Albert A. Reymann, 763 52nd Street, Oakland, pulled onto the highway directly in front of the police car.

Duffie suffered a deep cut over his eye. He was taken to Fairmont Hospital for treatment.

Reymann was cited for failing to heed the red light on the police car.

Seventy-five per cent of the area of San Francisco Bay is less than 18 feet deep.

Say you saw it in The Register.

ANNEX TO NEWARK CHURCH ASSURED

An additional $10,000 has been made available for the building of the $20,000 annex to the Newark Presbyterian Church, it was announced this week by Rev. John Peffers, pastor.

He stated that the money consists of a $5,000 grant from the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church and a $5,000 loan.

Approximately $10,000 has already been collected by the church members and friends.

Hydraulic mining is believed to have originated in Nevada County.

FAITH

Faith is a source of all our needs,
It's the trust in our brothers, regardless of creed.

LOVE

Love is a power which carries on,
It strengthens our faith when all else seems gone.

PEACE

Peace is a goal which we all seek.
The goal we will have, we were humble and meek.

SPELLS HOME

With these three blessings we will have no fear
For they hold together the things we hold dear.

Wishing you a Very Merry Christmas
And, may your homes be ever blessed with . . .

FAITH, LOVE AND PEACE

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852 3rd St., Niles Phone 4465

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 117719 Dept. 4

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of JOAQUIN S. CALDEIRA, also known as J. S. CALDEIRA, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within SIX MONTHS after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the law office of E. A. QUARESMA, Ellsworth Building, Niles, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 12. 1951.
ANNIE CALDEIRA
Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of the above named decedent.
E. A. QUARESMA
Attorney for said Executrix
Niles, California. D14,21,28,J4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 117647 Dept. 4

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of RITA GARCIA FURTADO, Deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within SIX MONTHS after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the law office of E. A. QUARESMA, Ellsworth Building, Niles, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 5, 1951.
MANUEL SOIT
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of the above named decedent.
E. A. QUARESMA
Attorney for said Executor
Niles, California. D7,14,21,28

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES' SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, the 23rd day of January, 1952, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the main or Fallon Street entrance of the Alameda County Court House, situated on the westerly side of Fallon Street between 12th and 13th Streets in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California, M. MARCHISIO and MAX STEVENSON, Trustees, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for lawful money of the United States, the following described real property situated in the Township of Washington, County of Alameda, State of California, described as follows:

PORTION of the 15.157 acre tract of land in Survey No. 77 of the lands of the Ex-Mission of San Jose, described in the deed by Pauline E. More, et al., to Antonio Pereira Da Roza, dated December 30, 1892 recorded in book 497 of Deeds at page 389, Alameda County Records, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the center line of County Road No. 94, known as Santos Avenue, 33 feet wide, distant thereon south 33° 15' west 166.22 feet from the most eastern corner of said 15.157 acre tract and running thence along said center line of Santos Avenue south 33° 15' west 60 feet; thence north 57° west 181.50 feet; thence north 33° 15' east 60 feet; thence south 57° east 181.50 feet to the point of beginning.

Said sale will be made to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust executed by JOHN H. HOLLAND, also known as J. H. HOLLAND, and CONSTANCE F. HOLLAND, his wife, as Trustors, to M. MARCHISIO and MAX STEVENSON, as Trustees for WILLIAM L. SILVA and MARY L. MOARA, as joint tenants, lenders and beneficiaries, dated February 6, 1948, and recorded February 17, 1948, in Book 5411 of Official Records at page 87, in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County.

Notice of breach and election to sell under said Deed of Trust was recorded in the office of said County Recorder on August 24, 1951, in Book 6520 of Official Records, at page 159.

The beneficiaries or any other person may purchase at said sale. This notice is given in compliance with written demand made by the beneficiaries on said trustees.

Dated: December 6th, 1951.
M. MARCHISIO
MAX STEVENSON
D21,28,J4,11 Trustees

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 117817 Dept. 4

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executor of the Will of LUCINDA P. WILLIAMS, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within six months after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me at the office of NORRIS AND BROUN, 114 North Main Street, Centerville, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 19, 1951.
LAWRENCE W. GEORGE
Executor of the Will of Lucinda P. Williams, Deceased.
NORRIS AND BROUN
Attorneys for said Executor,
114 North Main Street,
Centerville, California.
D28,J4,11,18

STREET LIGHTS FOR ORCHARD PARK TRACT

The Centerville Chamber of Commerce was informed via letter this week that its request for additional lights in the Orchard Park Tract had been granted by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

The supervisors ordered the installation of a light at the corner of Thornton Avenue and Dutra Way, one at the intersection of Baine Avenue and Dutra and one on Dutra midway between Thornton and Baine.

SERVICES TODAY FOR JOHN A. REIS

Funeral services will be held today for John Antone Reis, 74, of Mission San Jose, who died Wednesday.

He was the husband of Olympia Reis; father of David Reis of San Leandro, Edward Reis, Mission San Jose, Mrs. Ernest Albert, Irvington, Mrs. Manuel Avila, Centerville, Joseph Reis, Mission, Mrs. Tony Sousa, Mission, Antone Reis, Irvington, Frank Reis, San Leandro, and Mrs. Walter Catalano of Marysville.

He was a native of Portugal.

Funeral services will be held at 8:30 a.m. from the parlors of the Berge Mortuary in Irvington, followed by a requiem mass at St. Joseph's Church, Mission San Jose, at 9 a.m. Burial will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Hayward.

VETS IN HOSPITAL DEPEND ON YOU

The hospitalized veterans in Letterman Hospital are depending upon the people in Washington Township to give them a Merry Christmas.

The Vallejo Mills Post, V.F.W., has promised the chaplain at the hospital that the people here will supply gifts to be distributed in the wards on Christmas Day.

This was a big promise to make, but "Pat' Patchett, chairman of the project, is certain that the promise will be kept. "The people here are very kind-hearted," he said. "I know they will not only derive pleasure themselves from selecting gifts for the boys and wrapping them up in a Christmas box, but they will bring a little joy to our boys who have given so much."

Christmas boxes, which may contain anything from home-made candies to toilet articles, may be left in any of the receiving stations in each town in the township. Or Patchett himself will accept them at the Peerless Bus depot in Niles.

Names of donors, and little Christmas notes, may be enclosed in the packages, to make the gifts seem more personal.

Assisting with the project are members of the Post's Auxiliary.

Packages will be accepted at receiving stations as late as next Monday noon, Patchett said.

RAINFALL BELOW LAST YEAR'S TOTAL

The only rainfall recorded here during the past week was the shower Tuesday which amounted to .24 of an inch, according to the rain gauge at the Southern Pacific depot in Niles.

This week's shower brought the season's total, since July 1, to 9.63 inches, as compared with 12.29 inches for the same period last year.

Where's the Fire?

December 18, Centerville, 5:25 p.m., residence on Oak Street.

LIBRARY MOVES TO COUNTY BUILDING

At long last the Centerville Branch of the Alameda County Library is moving into its new quarters in the county office building on Fremont Avenue.

The new building was completed in mid-October but the move from the library's location on Main Street has been delayed awaiting the arrival of furniture and equipment.

The move was made Monday but the branch office will not reopen until December 26, allowing the staff ample time to get established in the new building.

Mrs. John Sutton, librarian, announced this week that the library would be open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week from 2:30 to 5:30 and 7 to 9 p.m.

She stated that more than 4,100 books for adults and children will be available in the new building.

In addition to these, any book in the entire collection of 95,000 books owned by the county library is available to the public upon request.

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GLEE CLUB MEMBERS

Singing in the glee club will be Joe Alexander, Joseph Boliba, Marlene Bolivia, Leonard Brown, Emil Carpaneto, Pete Coronado, John Corrales, Marlene Dias, Walter Evans, Helen Fontes, Pat Griffiths, Dick Guerra, Richy Keefer, Mary Kuritsuko, Bob Leal, Florinda Lewis, Jess Martinez, Audrey McClure, Kiyoko Matsumoto, Irene Navas, Elmo Olson, Jerry Ornellas, Dan Owen, Merle Peixoto, Carol Pine, Dewayne Potts, Carolyn Rogers, Pat Rose, Dorothy Soto, Marilyn Striplin, Beverly Venturi, Marilyn Walker, Arlene Walsh and Billy Ward.

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December 21-22
Mark Stevens - Peggy Dow
REUNION IN RENO
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William Boyd
BORROWED TROUBLE
SUNDAY - MONDAY
December 23-24
Frankie Laine - Billy Daniels
SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET
—and—
Roddy McDowell
THUNDERHEAD
SON OF FLICKA
TUES. - WED. - THURS.
December 25-26-27
Shelley Winters - Richard Conte
THE RAGING TIDE
—plus—
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Dec. 25—Doors open 4:45 p.m.
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6:45 p.m. Sunday from 1:15
FRIDAY - SATURDAY
December 21-22
Mitzi Gaynor - Dennis Day
GOLDEN GIRL
—and—
Jeff Chandler - Evelyn Keyes
IRON MAN
SUNDAY - MON. - TUESDAY
December 23-24-25
Tony Martin - Janet Leigh
Two Tickets to Broadway
—and—
Errol Flynn - Miriam Hopkins
Virginia City
WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY
December 26-27
Bud Abrott - Lou Costello
The Wistful Widow of Wagon Gap
—and—
Lisa Daniely - H. McDermott
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